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Births.

DREW.—January 2, 1898, at her residence, Ben Boyd-road N., the wife of E. L. Drew, of a son.

Marriages.

WADE—BEVERIDGE.—December 22, 1897, at Tenandra Park, by the Rev. Jas. Studds, Alfred Lingen, third son of the late W. Burton Wade, M. Inst., C.E., to Helen (Nellie) Jane, eldest daughter of James Beveridge, J.P., Tenandra Park.

Silver Wedding.

HARRISON—M'INTOSH.—January 21, 1873, at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, S. Farquhar, Goulburn, by the Rev. S. F. M'Kenzie, M.A., Arthur James, second son of James Harrison, Springfield, Kiama, to Margaret, second daughter of the late Donald M'Intosh, Inverness, Scotland.

Deaths.

M'CREDIE.—January 20, at her residence, Richmond House, 75 Mary-street, Leichhardt, Jessie Smails, the dearly loved wife of Thomas M'Credie, builder, aged 62 years.

MOODY.—January 16, 1898, at Newcastle, Louis, the dearly beloved son of J. and A. Moody, of Mayfield, Burnett-street, St. Kilda, Melbourne.

ROBERTS.—January 20, 1898, at her residence, 241 Crown-street, Surry Hills, Emmeline Roberts, relict of the late William Roberts, in her 69th year.

In Memoriam.

DUCKETT.—In memoriam of Mr. Samuel Blakeney, who was killed at Korrumburra on 21st January, 1895, aged 42 years.

You are not forgotten, Samuel dear,
Nor will you ever be;
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.

Inserted by his father and mother, W. and H. Duckett.

QUILTY.—In your charity pray for the happy repose of the soul of Michael Quilty, who died January 21, 1891. R.I.P. Inserted by his children.

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Britannia	6525	T. S. Angus	Jan. 29	Feb. 1	Feb. 3
Oceana	6603	R. Stewart	Feb. 12	Feb. 15	Feb. 17
*China	8000	M. de Horne	Feb. 23	Mar. 1	Mar. 3
*Victoria	6827	R. Crewe	Mar. 9	Mar. 15	Mar. 17
*India	8000	W. D. G. Worcester	Mar. 23	Mar. 29	Mar. 31
*Australia	6901	I. Reeves	Apl. 6	Apl. 12	Apl. 14
*Arcadia	6603	A. C. Loggin	Apl. 20	Apl. 26	Apl. 28
Rome	5545	J. F. Jephson	May 7	May 10	May 12

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Steamer.	Comm'nd'r.	Sydney. 1 p.m.	Melbourne. 1 p.m.	Adelaide. noon.
Armand Behic	Poydenot	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Jan. 31
Caledonien	Darrande	Feb. 21	Feb. 23	Feb. 25
Ville de la Ciotat	Fraschi	Mar. 21	Mar. 23	Mar. 25
Polynesien	Chevalier	April 18	April 20	April 22

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Steamer.	Tons	Commander.	Leave Sydney at noon.	Leave Melbourne.	Leave Adelaide.
Koenigin Luise	10000	Schuckmann	Jan. 29	Feb. 1	Feb. 3
Barbarossa	10769	A. Richter	Feb. 23	Mar. 1	Mar. 5
P. R. Luitpold	6592	R. Walter	Mar. 25	Mar. 29	April 2
Karlsruhe	5347	C. V. Bardeleben	Apl. 20	Apl. 26	April 30
Stuttgart	5349	D. Kohlenbeck	May 18	May 24	May 28

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THERMOPYLÆ	A. Simpson	3700	Jan. 28, '98
AUSTRALASIAN	T. F. Spalding	3500	March 4
ABERDEEN	A. Robb	3700	April 1
DAMASCUS	A. H. G. Douglas, R.N.R.	3700	April 29
NINEVEH	N. Allan	3900	May 27

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Steamer.	Tons.	Commander.	Sydney, noon.	Melb'rne 4 p.m.	Adelaide 2 p.m.
OROYA	6297	E. E. Lavington	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 10
*CUZCO	3898	A. T. Pritchard	Feb. 16	Feb. 22	Feb. 24
*ORURA	5857	Lindsay Hay	Mar. 2	Mar. 8	Mar. 10
*ORMUZ	6387	H. E. Inskip	Mar. 16	Mar. 22	Mar. 24
*AUSTRAL	5524	J. F. Anderson	Mar. 30	April 5	April 7
*OPHIR	6910	J. F. Ruthven	Apl. 13	Apl. 19	Apl. 21
*OROTAVA	5857	J. Linklater	Apl. 27	May 3	May 5

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ALAMEDA	Van Oterendorp	Mar. 14	Mar. 19	April 7
MARIPOSA	Hayward	April 11	April 16	May 5

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S.S. MARAROA, THURSDAY, January 27, at 2 p.m.
S.S. WAIHORA, WEDNESDAY, February 9, at 2 p.m.
For WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, DUNEDIN, BLUFF, thence to HOBART and MELBOURNE (transhipping to outports)—
S.S. MONOWAI, SATURDAY, January 22, at 1 p.m.
S.S. ROTOMAHANA, SATURDAY, Jan. 29, at 1 p.m.
TASMANIA.
For HOBART, STRAHAN, BURNIE (Emu Bay), DEVONPORT, and MELBOURNE—
S.S. MANAPOURI, SATURDAY, January 29, at noon.
FOR HOBART DIRECT—
S.S. OONAH, January 26, at 10 a.m.; February 2, 9, 14, 20, and 26.
From HOBART—
S.S. MANAPOURI, TUESDAY, January 25
S.S. OONAH, January 22 and 29, February 5, 11, 16, 22, and March 1.
For LAUNCESTON and N. W. COAST PORTS (Devonport and Burnie), via EDEN—
S.S. TEKAPO, SATURDAY, January 22, at 4 p.m.
SOUTH SEA ISLANDS.
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S.S. TARAWERA, WEDNESDAY, January 26.
LAUNCESTON, S.S. PATEENA, Jan. 24 and 28.
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FOR	
MELBOURNE	Cintra, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Jan. 25; Cape Otway, Saturday, Jan. 29
ADELAIDE	Barcoo (from Melbourne), Tuesday; Cape Otway, Saturday, Jan. 29
ALBANY, FREMANTLE, GERALDTON, transhipping for COSSACK and North-west ports	Barcoo (from Melbourne), Tuesday, January 25. Cape Otway, Saturday, Jan. 29 (see Advertisement below.)
BRISBANE	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., Jan. 21; Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Jan. 25
MARYBOROUGH	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., Jan. 21
BUNDABERG	Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25
GLADSTONE	Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25
ROCKHAMPTON	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., Jan. 21; Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Jan. 25
BROADSOUND, MACKAY, BOWEN	Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25
TOWNSVILLE	Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25; Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., Jan. 21; Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25
DUNGENESS (Lucinda Point), CARDWELL, MOURILYAN HARBOUR, GERALDTON, CAIRNS	Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25 (Change at Townsville.)
PORT DOUGLAS, COOKTOWN	Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25; Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., Jan. 21; Wodonga, Tues., 5 p.m., Jan. 25
THURSDAY ISLD., NORMANTON, BURKETOWN	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., Jan. 21
NOUMEA, SUVA, LEVUKA (FIJI)	Birksgate, Wednesday, Feb. 2.

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RICHMOND RIVER.—Electra, To-night, at 8.
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PORT MACQUARIE.—Rosedale, To-morrow, 9 p.m.
BELLINGER RIVER.—Rosedale, To-morrow, 9 p.m.
NAMBUCCA RIVER.—Early.
MANNING RIVER.—Coombar, Monday, 2 p.m.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JAMES COURTENAY, late of Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Grocer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration de bonis non of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to VICTORIA EMMA DAVIES, one of the persons entitled in distribution in the Estate of the said deceased. HERBERT LANGLEY TRESS, Proctor, 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of DAVID PETTIGREW, late of Leichhardt, in the colony of New South Wales, Blacksmith, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MAGGIE PETTIGREW, the widow of the said deceased. Dated this 20th day of January, A.D. 1898. ALFRED ROFE and SONS, Proctors for the Administratrix, Rofe-chambers, 60 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JAMES SHAW, late of Merrywinebone, Narrabri, in the colony of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ANNIE ISABELLA SHAW, of Merrywinebone aforesaid, the widow of the said deceased. P. E. STIRTON, Proctor for Administratrix, Moree. By his Agents, VILLENEUVE-SMITH and DAWES, 30 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of RACHEL DAVIS, late of Flinders-street, Moore Park, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ISAAC HENRY MANDELSON DAVIS, the Executor named in the said Will. LEWIS LEVY, Proctor for the Executor, 82 Pitt-street, Sydney.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of HENRY CLARKE, late of Hanging Rock, near Nundle, in the colony of New South Wales, Miner, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLOTTE ELIZA BRAYSHAW, of Hanging Rock, the daughter of the said deceased. CHARLOTTE ELIZA BRAYSHAW.

Public Notices.

AT a Preliminary Meeting of the Friends of Mr. KELSO KING, held on Wednesday, it was decided to tender him a Public Banquet on the eve of his visit to England.
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CHARLES H. KIMBER, Junior, does not call for his BOXES in seven days will be sold.
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The large Stock of FRINGES, including the Pompadour, The Perfect, and Butterfly Fringes; also the Parting Fringe, made of naturally curly hair, will curl with water, at Cost Price. Many of these very useful articles are at half the price usually charged. Tails of real Hair from 5s each. The Stock is the Largest in the city and quite new.
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I AM the only Bohemian Gipsy PALMIST in Australia, 30 yrs. a roving gipsy. 297 Pitt-st., 2 doors fr. Park-st.

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SODAWATER spoils good Whisky. Drink Dickens with water only.

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TANQUERAY'S Unsweetened GIN and "The Real Mackay" Greenwood Whisky. Harrison and Attwood.

THANK you for making game of me; cruel; or am I mistaken person? Miss Waller, Cleveland-st.

TICKETS.—Melbourne wanted, 30s each offered; also Adelaide, Brisbane, London. Firkins, 155 King-st.

USE Phyloline, the marvellous antifat; no dieting required. Cures fatty heart, rheumatism. 3s. All chem.

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Mr. and Mrs. BARNETT give Extreme Value for Ladies', Gentlemen's, Children's Left-off Clothing, Portmanteaus, Old Gold, Silver, Artificial Teeth, Articles of every description bought. Letters punctually attended to by Mr. or Mrs. BARNETT, 124 Bathurst-street.

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WE Buy for Cash, Furniture, Pianos, Sewing Machines, Mangles, Iron Safes. Brown, 41 Broadway, Glebe.

WANTED, 6 Tons of 40lb. RAILS. Mason Bros., Ltd., 10 Barrack-st.

EMERALDS, &c.—Wanted, Large and Small GEMS, of good quality. Fairfax and Roberts, Hunter-st.

CAMERA wanted, suitable for enlarging and copying. Full particulars, Chromatic, Herald Office.

WANTED, second-hand Lawn Mower, in good condition, "Automaton" pref. Price, J. J., Blakehurst P.O.

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ALL PARTS, BOUGHT or EXCHANGED.
FULL FACE VALUE GIVEN.
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FOR SALE, cheap, Black Curly Retriever DOG, eight months old, good water dog. Apply Tom, Herald.

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Auction Sales.

INGLIS AND SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m. sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, and Harness.
At 12 o'clock,
Horses and Vehicles of every description.
Specially advertised. Tel., 1331.

THE WELL-KNOWN TROTTING HORSE ALFRED D. (imp.).
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. H. DUNK to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Alfred D. (imp.), a Bay Gelding with black points; winner of many races.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
SUNSHINE, the well-known Racing Pony. Particulars at Sale.

UPSTANDING BAY GELDING.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Hamberger to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Bay Gelding, 5 years old, 17 hands, broken to single harness, good style and action, would make a splendid match horse.

FIRST-CLASS ROAN GELDING.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Roan Gelding, by Judge Belden, broken to saddle and harness, quiet, and a very fast trotter.

UPSTANDING BAY GELDING.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Bay Gelding, 17 hands, 6 years, broken to saddle, single, and double harness, quiet to trams, and a very nice mover.

INGLIS'S WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE THIS DAY, RAILWAY SALEYARDS, 827 GEORGE-STREET.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Saleyards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Friday,
At 12 o'clock sharp,
Calves, Pigs, Lambs, Suckers, &c.
At half-past 2 o'clock sharp,
Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Fowls, Pigeons, &c.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
Roll and Keg Butter from best Southern Factories and Dairies, Eggs, Bacon, Cheese, Lard, Honey, &c., &c.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
J. GIDLEY FLEMING and SONS have been favoured with instructions from JOHN W. BAMFORD, Esq., to sell by auction, on premises, Richard-street, off Missenden-road, Newtown, under a BILL OF SALE,
The entire Plant and Stock-in-Trade of a CORDIAL and HOP-BEER FACTORY,
Comp. one 3-h.p. "Tangye" Boiler and Engine, Corking and Capsule Machines, Sodawater Machine, Gasometer, Generator and Bottling Rack, Syphons, 5 very large Oak Vats, 3 Tanks, 2 Slate Mash Tanks, Steel Copper, Bottle Rinsers, 7 Casks Syrups, Vinegar, Stock of Syrups, 300 doz. Hop Beer, Colouring, Lot Oils and Essences, Corks, Hops, Bottling Wire, 7 Casks Bicarbonate of Soda, Bags Sugar, Tinfoil, Acetic Acid, Herbs, Twine, Scales and Weights, Lot Labels, Bottle Baskets, Cases, Casks, Tubs, Office Furniture, and a Small Lot of Household Furniture, 200 doz. Empty Bottles.
4 Staunch Well-bred Horses
Several Sets Harness, &c.
1 Waggon, 1 Delivery Van.
The above lucrative and easily-managed business with small capital will be offered in one line. "A GOING PAYING CONCERN." If not sold in one lot, will be sold in lots to suit buyers.
Also, under the same Bill of Sale,
on SATURDAY, 22nd instant, at 11 o'clock,
on Premises, Everton, corner West and Jenkins streets, Queen's Park, near Cemetery, North Sydney,
being a branch of the above,
Utensils and Stock of Cordials and Hop Beer Factory,
Large Portable Copper, 100-Gallon Oak Vat
Wood and Slate Tanks, 4-pull Syphon
Lot Cordials, Hop Beer, 200 doz Empty Bottles.
Also,
The Household Furniture
Singer's Sewing Machine
And Contents of 4 rooms and kitchen.
For Positive Unreserved Auction Sale.
J. GIDLEY FLEMING and Sons,
Auctioneers,
Tel., 1506. 242 Pitt-street, Sydney.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247a Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Clothing pledged with Mr. L. Joseph, of 16 Oxford-square, Oxford-street, comprising
Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.

THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock.
JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions to sell by auction, on his premises, 247a Pitt-street, the whole of the Clothing, &c., pledged with the N.S. WALES MONT DE PIETE DEPOSIT and INVESTMENT COMPANY, of 74 Castlereagh-street, comprising
Gents.'s Dress and Walking Suits
Ladies' Dresses and Riding Habits
House Linen, Underclothing, Blankets
Macintoshes, Boots, Shoes, Caps, Portmanteaus, &c.

AUCTION SALE, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
THIS DAY at 11 O'CLOCK.
No. 72 Marion-street, opposite Boot Factory, Leichhardt. Contents of three-roomed Cottage:—Wardrobe, Chest Drawers, Washstands, &c., Tables, Chairs, Rockers, &c., Beds and Bedding. Bona fide sale, worth attention buyers.
GEO. P. BAINES sells as above to the highest bidder.

THE FARMERS' AUCTION SALEYARDS,
Thomas-street, off Engine-street, Haymarket.
R. F. MURPHY and CO. will sell by auction, at their new Room and Yard, THIS DAY,
At 1.15 sharp,
Carcase Pork, Suckers, Porkers, Stores, &c.
At 2.30,
Mule, Muscovy, and English Ducks, Turkeys, Geese, Fowls, Guinea Fowls, Wongas, Wild Ducks, Quail, &c.
At 3.45,
Eggs, Bacon, Lard, Honey, Wax, Maize, Hides, &c.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.
ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Produce Saleyards, at the rear of 791 George-street South (entrance Valentine-lane), THIS DAY,
At Half-past 1 Sharp,
Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, and Suckers.
At 2 o'clock sharp,
The usual weekly supply of choice brands of Creamery, Factory, and Dairy Roll and Keg Butter, Eggs, Bacon, Honey, Lard, Cheese, Fruit, &c.
60cwt. pure extracted Honey (very prime), ex rail.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
A very large quantity of Poultry, including Ducks, Fowls, Turkeys, Geese, Pigeons, Birds, Game, &c.

PRODUCE SALES.
SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, Friday, as under:—
TALLOW.—At the Wool Exchange, at 10 a.m.
HIDES.—At the various stores at 9.30 a.m.
SHEEPSKINS.—At the Wool Exchange at 11.20 a.m.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell, THIS DAY, by public auction at their Circular Quay Stores,
Hides and tallow.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Ltd., will THIS DAY sell by public auction, at the Wool Exchange Bridge-street,
Sheepskins.

THE POULTRY FARMERS' EXCHANGE,
Thomas-street, Haymarket.
SAMUEL SWINDELLS will sell by auction, at the above Rooms, THIS DAY, at 2.30 p.m.,
Local Eggs, Poultry, &c.

DAIRY CATTLE.
TABRETT and CO. will sell by auction at the Red Cow Saleyards, Penrith, on SATURDAY, Jan. 22, at 2 p.m., 30 Head Cattle, Ayrshire and Jersey crosses; 16 Head Ponies, by good sires, hardy mountain-bred stock. Must be sold to close accounts.

SHAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at Darling Harbour, at 9 o'clock, Wood.
At Produce Mart, 741 George-street, at 1 o'clock,
Fat Calves, Fat Pigs, Sucking Pigs, Hares, Rabbits, Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Fowls, Pigeons, Parrots, Birds, Roll and Keg Butter, Cheese, Bacon, Lard, Honey, 100 Cases New-laid Duck and Hen Eggs, Grapes, Tomatoes, Fruit, Wax, Hair, Hides, Sundries.

POLYTECHNIC.
THE CROWN STUDIOS' CINEMATOGRAPH AND RONTGEN X RAY EXHIBITION,
82 King-street, opposite Arcade.
NEW PICTURES,
THE FAMOUS GORDON HIGHLANDERS
Prior to their Departure to India.
INDIAN CONTINGENT AT ALDERSHOT.
CROWD DISPERSING AFTER THE REVIEW.
SCENES FROM A COMIC OPERA, &c.
WE PROJECT THIRTY PICTURES IN TWO SETS.
RONTGEN'S X RAYS
Demonstrated. SKIAGRAPHS for Surgical Purposes taken on THURSDAY MORNINGS.
Com. 11, 12 o'clock, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9 p.m.
ADMISSION, 1s; CHILDREN, HALF-PRICE.

Auction Sales.

BUILDING MATERIALS.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, JAN. 21st INSTANT,
at 11 o'clock,
Messrs. WETHERILL and CO.'S OLD PREMISES,
187 and 189 PITT-STREET, CITY.
The Whole of the MATERIALS are in FIRST-CLASS condition.
SPECULATIVE BUILDERS
are particularly requested to give attention to this IMPORTANT SALE.
Comprising
200,000 FULL-SIZED BRICKS, equal to new
PLATE-GLASS SHOP FRONTS in large Sheets
1,000 JOISTS, in Sizes from 5 x 2½ to 11 x 3
50,000ft. of 6 x 1 FLOORING, in splendid order
800 SHEETS of GALV. IRON, in lengths from 5 to 10ft.
10,000 SLATES, FRENCH CASEMENTS, Panel DOORS
JAMB LININGS, ARCHITRAVES, SKIRTING, BOX FRAMES and Sashes complete, Rafters
IRONBARK GIRDERS, all lengths
MANTELPIECES, W. C. CISTERNS complete.
IRON COLUMNS, LARGE STREET AWNING.
The LARGE PLATE-GLASS WINDOWS will be sold at 12.30 sharp.
DALWOOD AND CO.
have been favoured with instructions to conduct the above Important Sale of Building Materials.
WITHOUT RESERVE.
DALWOOD and CO.
have been instructed to sell at the above IMPORTANT SALE, on account of the late TENANT,
The Whole of the HANDSOME CEDAR COUNTERS, &c., &c.
AT 12.30 SHARP.

THIS DAY,
FRIDAY, 21st JANUARY,
at 11 a.m.
At 146 ELIZABETH-STREET,
near Liverpool-street.
UNRESERVED
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION
of
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS
Bedroom Suites, Bedsteads and Bedding, Combination Chests
Dining-room Suite in real leather, Lounge Chairs.
HANDSOME 8ft. SIDEBOARD.
Several 4ft. Sideboards, Bookcase, Chiffonier, &c.
DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, Genoa Velvet and Plush
Occl. Tables, Rockers, Whatnot, Overmantels,
and a lot of
MISCELLANEOUS FURNITURE and SUNDRIES,
removed from Paddington and Redfern
for
POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.

H. W. BROOK and CO.
have received instructions from the owners
TO SELL
THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.
TO RETAIL GROCERS, COUNTRY STOREKEEPERS, DEALERS, and OTHERS.
FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.
Under Instructions from the Trustees.
LARGE AND EXTENSIVE STOCK
of
GENERAL GROCERIES and OILMEN STORES,
as per Stock Sheets, £490 15s 6d.
AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET,
on MONDAY NEXT, JANUARY 24,
AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
THE STOCK COMPRISES
30 Cases Colonial Jams, Assorted
1 Ton Sugar, 1 Ton Crown Soap
½ Pure Pepper, white and black, 25 Tins Biscuits
3½ Packages Teas, assorted, 20 Tins Confectionery
10 Cases Assorted Pickles, 20 Cases Salmon.
OPEN STOCK IN
Teas, boxes, tins, and packets, Sugars English and Colonial Jams, Pickles, Mustard, Vinegar, Pepper, Spices, Candles, Gold Medal Milk, L. and P. Sauce, Starch, Salmon, Lobsters, Fresh Herrings, Coffee Essences, Cocoa, Currants, Raisins, Tinned Meats, Flour, Rice, Sago, Blue, Oatmeal, Split Peas, Essences, Potted Meats, C. and B. Oil, Clothes Lines, Tobaccos, &c., &c.
GLASSWARE and CROCKERY WARE,
6 SETS COUNTER SCALES,
&c., &c.

A. TRAVERSI and CO.
will sell the above extensive stock on MONDAY, January 24, at 11 o'clock sharp.

ROCKDALE.
TO-MORROW,
SATURDAY, 22nd JANUARY,
3 p.m. sharp.
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION
at the Residence
of
H. A. G. RUNDLE, Esq.,
WATERFORD VILLA, ALLYN-STREET, BEXLEY, ROCKDALE,
of the Whole of his
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
UPRIGHT PIANO, in Walnut Case, in splendid order, by ASCHERBERG
DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, BEDROOM FURNITURE
KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS, &c., &c.
WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have been favoured with instructions from H. A. G. Rundle, Esq., to conduct the above sale.
TERMS, CASH.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock.
By order of The Colonial Finance Investment Guarantee Corporation (Limited).
THE SURPLUS PLANT AND VALUABLE MACHINERY
of
HARBER'S BRICKWORKS,
BARWON PARK-ROAD, ST. PETERS.
2 Semi-Plastic Patent Brick-making Machines, complete, with duplicate parts, by Bradley and Craven
First-class 6-H.P Vertical Boiler, with attachments complete, by Tangye Bros.
2 Shanks' Steam Pumps, Chaffcutter, 7 Capital Brick Carts, Town Dray, Sets of Harness, Tools of Trade, Quantity Scrap Iron, and Sundries.
T. PHILLIPS has received instructions to sell the above by auction, on the ground, Barwon Park-road, St. Peters, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock.
Now on view. Terms at Sale.
Auction Offices: 131 Enmore-road, Enmore.

TO COACH and WAGGON BUILDERS, ENGINEERS, BLACKSMITHS, and HARDWARE MERCHANTS.
MONSTER CLEARING SALE.
BY PUBLIC AUCTION.
On
FRIDAY, 28th JANUARY, at 11 O'CLOCK.
On the Premises of the old-established
COACH FACTORY of JOHN ROBERTSON, Esq.,
417 PITT-STREET SOUTH.
JAMES COWAN, MACHINERY AUCTIONEER, 298 Pitt-street, has received instructions from Mr. JOHN KORFF, as Agent for the Vendor, to conduct the above important sale, consisting of a large stock of COACH and WAGGON BUILDERS' MATERIALS, also the whole of the MACHINERY used in the above FACTORY.
Fuller particulars in future issue.
Terms, Cash. Telephone, 742.

To Small Shopkeepers, Dealers, Private Buyers, and Others.
HYAM HAINS has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.30 a.m. sharp, on the premises, No. 93 Regent-street, Redfern,
STOCK-IN-TRADE—Tea, Pickles, Jams, Sauces, Blue, Sardines, Oil, Kerosene, Vinegar, Miscellaneous Groceries, Ice Chest, Milk Cans, Counters, 3 sets Scales and Weights, Glass Cases, Portable Forge, Sundries, &c., &c.
No Reserve. Terms, Cash.

To Dealers, Private Buyers, and Others.
HYAM HAINS has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, THIS DAY, Friday, at 10.30 a.m. sharp, on the premises, No. 3 Cambridge-street, off Argyle-cut, Stock-in-trade of a Manufacturer—
100 tins Ox Tongues and Potted Meats, boxes Dry Soap, quantity Disinfectant, Carbolic Acid, Rosin, Potash, Sulphur, Crockeryware, Table, Trucks, Chairs, large Copper Boiler, Scales and Weights, Pictures, part of Camera Plates, large Bench. Without Reserve.

To Dealers, Private Buyers, and Others.
IMPERATIVE and UNRESERVED SALE.
HYAM HAINS has received instructions from the Proprietress to sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW, Saturday, at 2 p.m., on the premises, N. 1 John-street, Alexandria, near 'Bus Stand,
The whole of her Superior Household FURNITURE and EFFECTS—
Piano (Aucher Freres), Overmantels
Carpets, Linoleum, Ornaments
Whatnots, Pictures, Glassware, Sewing Machine
Half-tester Bedsteads and Bedding, in good order
Duchess Toilets, Drawers, T. Tables
Linen Press, P. Glasses, Aust. Chairs
Cutlery, Dresser, K. Table, Copper
Mangle, Miscel. Furniture, Sundries, &c., &c.
No Reserve. Terms, Cash.
Also, a quantity of Choice Plants and Garden Tools.

THIS DAY, JANUARY 21st, at 2 p.m.
On the Premises, TAYLOR-STREET, ROOKWOOD.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
A. G. JENKINS has been instructed to sell, as above, THIS AFTERNOON, ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.
Train leave Redfern at 1.30 p.m.

THIS DAY, at 2.30.
MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, at Hay and George streets, Furniture and Bedsteads of 4-roomed house, also Clothing and Sundries. Without reserve.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
ORDER OF SALE
CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.
THIS DAY (FRIDAY).
CITY.—CLUB HOUSE Hotel, and 3 Shops, Nos. 60 to 64 Abercrombie-street; 7 Houses, Nos. 27 to 39 O'Connor-street; and Cottage, Abercrombie and Dick streets. Deceased Estate.
SURRY HILLS.—THE BELMORE HOTEL, Reservoir and Mary streets, and 4 Houses, Nos. 49 to 55 Reservoir-street. Deceased Estate.
DITTO.—House, No. 9 Edgeley-street, between Bourke and Crown streets. Deceased Estate.
DARLINGHURST.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 375 Liverpool-street, and Shop, No. 117 Darlinghurst-road.
PADDINGTON.—House, No. 102 Glenmore-road, east of Liverpool-street. Deceased Estate.
ELIZABETH-STREET SOUTH.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 564 Elizabeth-street, opposite Randle-street. Leasehold. Deceased Estate.
CHIPPENDALE.—Three Houses, Nos. 15 to 19 Middle-street, east of Hanks-street. Deceased Estate.
DARLINGTON.—Three Houses, Nos. 1 to 5 Newtown-road, west of Cleveland-street. Deceased Estate.
DITTO.—Two Houses, Nos. 16 and 17 Newtown-road, west of Cleveland-street. Deceased Estate.
ULTIMO.—Three Houses, Nos. 14 to 16 Harwood-street, near Union-street; and 2 W.B. Cottages, Nos. 9 and 11, Harwood-lane. Leasehold. Deceased Estate.
DITTO.—Four Houses, Nos. 492 to 498 Jones-street, between William Henry and Macarthur streets. Leasehold. Deceased Estate.
CITY.—Two Cottages, Nos. 112 and 114 Bay-street, and Cottage, No. 1 Owen-street, between George-street West and Wentworth Park. Deceased Estate.
BALMAIN.—Eight W.B. Cottages, Nos. 21 to 35 Bradford-street, east of Booth-street. Deceased Estate.
DITTO.—Block of Land, Johnstone's Bay and Adolphus-street, east of Stephen-street ferry. Deceased Estate.
NORTH SYDNEY.—Three W.B. Houses Nos. 67 to 71, Blue's Point-road; and Cottage, Maisonette, No. 54 Middle-street, at rear. Deceased Estate.
ERSKINEVILLE.—Two Houses, M'Donald-street, and Cottage at rear, east of line. Mortgagee's Sale.
LEICHHARDT.—Cottage, No. 19 Rosa-street, between Elswick and Hofe streets. Deceased Estate.
BURWOOD.—Cottage, Glenberney, Belmore-street, between Burwood and Shaftesbury roads. Deceased Estate.
WAVERLEY.—House, Binswood, Macpherson and Virgil streets. Deceased Estate.
MARRICKVILLE.—Residence, Livingstone-road and Georges-street.
BELMORE.—Block of 30 Acres, Burwood-road, near Belmore Railway Station. Deceased Estate.
KOGARAH.—Lots, High-street, Bay View Estate. Deceased Estate.
DOLL'S POINT.—House, Russell's-avenue, Lady Robinson's Beach. Deceased Estate.
MANLY.—Cottage, Queenscliff-road, and 1 Acre, overlooking lagoon and ocean.
RYDE.—Cottage, Ryedale-road, opposite station. Deceased Estate.
INTEREST of John Cornelius de Saumarez Mann under the settlement executed prior to the marriage of Gother Kerr Mann and Mary Mann. Mortgagee's Sale.
OURIMBAH.—40 Acres, Ourimbah Creek, Brisbane Water. Deceased Estate.
PARISH OF WALLAYA.—C.P. Land of 149ac., &c. about 4 miles from Robertson and 1½ miles from Pheasant Ground.
HOLT-SUTHERLAND.—Various Leasehold Areas.
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CITY COUNCIL.

A meeting of the finance committee of the City Council was held at 2.30 p.m. yesterday. There were present—Aldermen M. Harris (Mayor), J. Harris, Ives, M. and H. Chapman, Dean, Fowler, Waine, Hart, Buckle, Bear, Taylor, Landers, Small, Rainford, Booth, and Lees.

Alderman Fowler said the latrine next the markets at the corner of George and Market streets ought to be improved or removed, as in its present state it was a disgrace.

Alderman J. Harris said it was incomprehensible how the aldermen of the ward allowed the place to exist so long. It was most disgraceful.

Other aldermen endorsed these remarks.

Alderman Dean hoped they would have latrines at almost every corner.

The Mayor said owing to the state of the finances they had no chance of erecting an underground place at present, as the cost would be £1200 or £1400.

The city surveyor reported that the cost of sweeping tram lines along Phillip, Elizabeth, Liverpool, and Oxford streets to the city boundary (day and night) for December might be set down at £74 15s 9d, and the watering for 21 days £11 8s 4d. This cost was subject to weather conditions. Taking this as the basis of an estimate, the whole length of tramways would cost about £380 per month. The matter was left to the Mayor to deal with.

Mr. T. Grace wrote, offering to lay a trial section (50 square yards) of patent wood pavement. It was resolved, on the motion of Alderman J. Harris, that the work be done, Mr. Grace to find the materials.

The Mayor said there was no objection to the work being done at once.

The Mayor said he presumed they had read the Health Act. He thought they were giving satisfaction to the Government at present.

Alderman H. Chapman said there was no use to discuss the Act. Suppose they suggested any alterations, what chance was there of them being carried out, for this Parliament would last only two or three months?

Alderman Buckle asked why the Act was not brought before the council before it passed 12 months ago. It might as well have been passed 50 years ago as to ask them now to make recommendations.

A Voice: That is the way with all the bills affecting the city.

The Town Clerk: The matter was brought before them because the council had to do certain things.

Alderman J. Harris hoped their health officer would not be superseded, as he was a good officer.

The Mayor said he had given instructions that wool teams were not to be allowed to go along George-street, and must use Castlereagh-street. He also heard there was talk of a strike amongst the "cleansers." He had given orders to have their work done more quickly. The men objected to taking more than two loads in a day, saying that was sufficient.

Alderman Dean said he had seen one cart going at the rate of a mile an hour.

THE AUSTRALIAN ART EXHIBITION IN LONDON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The undernamed artists would be pleased if you would kindly publish in your valuable paper the enclosed copy of letter to the trustees of the National Art Gallery, and their reply, re Walker exhibition in London, owing to a statement in the papers accusing them of unfairness in their judging.

I am, &c., WM. LISTER-LISTER.
Tom Roberts, F. P. Mahony, Wm. Lister-Lister, W. C. Piguenit, artist judges of the Walker Exhibition.

[Copy.]

"E. Du Faur, Esq., F.R.G.S., President of Trustees of the National Gallery of New South Wales.

"Dear Sir,—You will have known through your esteemed secretary of our appreciation of the courtesy and cordiality with which we were received by the trustees of the National Gallery when we met at their invitation, and as representatives of the two art societies, to assist them in the selection of works for London. Since then one of your body has very publicly stated that he took certain action because he considered that we as judges would not give his pictures fair treatment and consideration. We are not willing to believe that the trust holds or held the opinion that we would be unfair, dishonest, or prejudiced in the judgment of the work of one of their body, or of the work of any artists whose interests are equally under their care. Nothing during our association with the trustees led us to believe that they had any distrust of our fitness to act, and as this published statement is, as far as we know, the only expression of such distrust by any of your body, we have the honour to ask if it has, or has had, your concurrence.

"Signed by Tom Roberts, Frank P. Mahony, W. Lister-Lister, W. C. Piguenit, members of the artists' committee of the Walker collection of Australian art.

"Mr. Long being out of town has had no opportunity of conferring with the other members of the committee, and his opinion in the matter is not known to them."

"National Art Gallery of N.S.W., Outer Domain, Sydney, January 13, 1898.

"Dear Sirs,—Acknowledging receipt of your yesterday's favour, addressed to the president, I do myself the pleasure, by direction, to convey to you the expression of the unbounded confidence of the trustees in the members of the artists' selection committee, and to offer them the best thanks of the board for the manner in which they discharged their onerous duty.

"I am, Dear Sirs, very faithfully yours,
"(Signed) Geo. E. Layton, secretary.

"To Messrs. Tom Roberts, Frank P. Mahony, Wm. Lister-Lister, W. C. Piguenit, S. Long, Sydney."

INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—On the 19th instant your correspondent "P" writes re taxation of losses or outgo; my case is somewhat similar. The taxation officer says the losses are losses of principal (no profits are profits of principal, but must be taken as income), and calls are a further investment of principal. In my case reduction was similarly allowed for losses on land sold and calls paid in a society in liquidation; but, after a considerable lapse of time, notification is now sent of their disallowance and a further demand made (an application for opening the question on my behalf being previously excluded by expiry of due date of objections). Notwithstanding I show losses exceed income, taxation is payable in consequence of disallowance of losses by being classed as "principal." I am, &c., F. R.

POPULATION OF THE COLONY.

The following is Mr. Coghlan's estimate of the population of New South Wales on December 31, 1897:—

—	Males.	Females.	Total.
Births registered during 1897	18,983	18,259	37,242
Deaths registered during 1897 ...	8,310	5,964	14,274
Increase by excess of Births over Deaths ...	10,673	12,295	22,968
Arrivals by sea during 1897	44,979	22,323	67,302
Departures by sea during 1897, including allowance for unrecorded departures	40,978	22,038	63,016
Increase by excess of arrivals by sea ...	4,001	285	4,286
Arrivals overland from Victoria, Queensland, and South Australia during 1897	41,234	23,629	64,863
Departures overland to those colonies during 1897	41,698	24,599	66,297
Decrease by excess of departures overland ...	(—) 464	(—) 970	(—) 1,434
Total increase of population during 1897 ...	14,210	11,610	25,820
Estimated population on December 31, 1896	695,150	602,490	1,297,640
Estimated population on December 31, 1897 ...	709,360	614,100	1,323,460

(—) denotes decrease.

It would appear that there were in the colony on December 31 last 1,323,460 persons—709,360 males and 614,100 females—showing an increase for the year of 25,820 persons. The births for the year were 37,242, and the deaths 14,274, so that the excess of births was 22,968. The arrivals, both overland and by sea, numbered 132,165, and the departures 129,313, showing an excess of arrivals to the extent of 2,852. On only two occasions has there been an excess of departures since New South Wales was confined within its present boundaries—viz., in 1862 and in 1896. The excess of arrivals was larger in 1897 than in 1895 and 1893, but less than in 1894 and 1892 and previous years. For the year there was an excess of arrivals of males over departures to the number of 3537, and a loss of females to the extent of 685. An inspection of the figures seems to favour the supposition that the departures of females, who have gone to join their husbands in Western Australia, continued during 1897, but not to the same extent as in 1896. There has also been a slight exodus of single women, chiefly of the servant class, whose destination was also Western Australia. During the first half of the year the movement of population was more in favour of New South Wales than during the second half, the arrivals exceeding the departures by 2571 (2021 males and 550 females), while during the second half of the year there was a gain of 1516 males and a loss of 1235 females, equal to a total gain of 281 persons. The arrivals by sea include 34 Chinese, of whom 31 were naturalised British subjects; and the departures include 428 Chinese. The following is a statement of the increase of population during the last 10 years, divided into its two sources:—

Year.	Excess of Births over Deaths.	Excess of Arrivals over Departures.	Total Increase.
1888	24,117	6,635	30,750
1889	22,499	8,241	30,740
1890	24,742	15,298	40,040
1891	23,172	20,268	43,440
1892	25,631	6,719	32,350
1893	24,320	1,400	25,720
1894	23,781	4,299	28,080
1895	23,881	2,559	26,439
1896	20,667	loss (897)	19,770
1897	22,968	2,852	25,820

THE MILITARY FORCES.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS.

At the Victoria Barracks yesterday morning Major-General French made the presentation of silver medals to those warrant and non-commissioned officers and men of the Permanent Forces who have gained the distinction during the year. The ceremony took place in the presence of all the available men of the Permanent Forces, with the exception of those sick or on duty. The men were drawn up in front of the barracks in three sides of a square. The Major-General was accompanied on the ground by Colonel H. D. Mackenzie, A.A.G., Colonel Smith, R.A., Major Boam, D.A.A.G., and Captain Kyngdon, A.D.C. In presenting the awards General French addressed a few remarks to the recipients and to the men in attendance. He was very pleased, he said, to congratulate those warrant officers who had gained medals for meritorious service, and he was sure that in each case the award had been well earned. Speaking of those who had gained medals for long service and good conduct, he expressed the hope that every man of the permanent service would do his best to emulate his successful comrades. The Major-General then addressed himself particularly to the company of Permanent Artillery recruits who had joined since the beginning of the year. He recommended the service to their consideration as one that would well repay them for diligence and attention to duty. They would find that they were well looked after, provided with good quarters, and put in the way of earning very good pay. He then pinned the medals on the breasts of the recipients. The proceedings closed with three cheers for the medallists, called for by Major-General French.

The following received medals:—For meritorious service: Warrant-officer (now Lieutenant) R. J. Beauman, staff; Warrant-officer (now Lieutenant) H. Green, late Permanent Artillery; Warrant-officer J. Griffith, Permanent Artillery; Warrant-officer I. H. Rouse, Permanent Artillery; Warrant-officer A. J. Brady, staff. For long service and good conduct: Staff Clerk G. W. Loney, late staff; Staff-sergeant G. S. Melville, staff; Staff-sergeant W. White, staff; Driver C. Woollams, staff; Storeman W. Threlfall, late staff; Company Sergeant-major J. Walsh, staff, late Permanent Artillery; Battery Sergeant-major W. Coleman, Permanent Artillery; Company Sergeant-major J. E. Crew, Permanent Artillery; Sergeant J. Cronin, Permanent Artillery; Sergeant T. Walker, Permanent Artillery; Acting Bombardier S. Lawlor, Permanent Artillery; Gunner T. Barrett, late Permanent Artillery; Driver J. Whitton, Permanent Artillery; Driver J. Molyneaux, Permanent Artillery.

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COUNTRY NEWS.

MISS ELSIE HALL AT BOWRAL.

BOWRAL, Thursday.

Miss Elsie Hall, the gifted young Australian pianiste, gave a concert in the School of Arts last night, assisted by Miss Marion Llewellyn, Miss Esther Kahn, and Master Cyril Monk. There was a large audience. The concert was a great success. Miss Elsie Hall gave a masterly exhibition on a Steinway grand piano, and met with a warm and generous reception. Master Cyril Monk, the boy violinist, played brilliantly for one so young, and Miss Llewellyn captivated the audience with her singing. Miss Elsie Hall appears at Moss Vale to-night, and then goes to Melbourne to give a concert season.

MUDGEE QUARTER SESSIONS.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

The Quarter Sessions opened to-day before Judge Docker. Edward Johnston pleaded not guilty to a charge of having skeleton keys in his possession with intent to commit a felony. The defence was that the keys were picked up by the accused on the road between Wellington and Mudgee. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and prisoner was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment with hard labour in Mudgee Gaol. William Talbot, charged with maliciously wounding Robert Ryan at Gulgong in October last, was acquitted. Peter Henry Fawcett, charged with the larceny of a pair of boots, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

ALBURY, Thursday.

A local orchardist appears to have hit upon a successful method of checking the ravages of the grasshoppers upon his fruit crop. He tacked an opossumskin, fur outside, round the butt of the tree, doubling the lower edge. The insects are thus effectually stopped in their upward march. Below the skin they congregate like a swarm of bees, every now and then falling in lumps to the ground, but they go no further. Trees so treated have their crops intact, whilst those not protected are bare of fruit and foliage. The skins should be not less than 30 inches from the ground, or the insects may clear the obstacle in one leap.

Up to within the last few weeks the prospects of the ensuing vintage were most encouraging. The vines all along had made luxuriant growth, and there had been an unusual absence of oidium. The long spell of dry weather is, however, now operating injuriously. The grapes in several varieties are beginning to turn colour without having attained normal size.

BALRANALD, Thursday.

The Murray Downs and Pooa Boon homestead selection areas were balloted for to-day. There were 32 applicants and 155 applications for the seven blocks, most of the applicants being Victorians. The following are the results of the ballot:—No. 14, John Holmes; No. 7, E. Barkmeyer; No. 8, W. Anderson; No. 9, H. O. Ward; No. 12, T. Ward; No. 34, A. Burke; No. 13, S. Davis. The deposit money amounted to £501.

The triennial election of common trustees last night resulted in Messrs. White, King, Boguton, Dean, and Bryant being elected for three years.

BATHURST, Thursday.

A meeting of parishioners was held last night at St. Barnabas', South Bathurst, when the Rector (the Rev. E. H. Lea), on behalf of the congregation, presented Miss Emily Lisle, on her retirement from the position of organist, with a purse of sovereigns and a handsome church service. The Hon. Sydney Smith was present, and replied for Miss Lisle.

BEGA, Thursday.

The annual meeting of the Bega District Hospital was held to-day. Mr. Cowdroy presided. The report shows that the institution is well managed, and is flourishing. The income for the year was £841 10s 1d. Of this amount Messrs. Atkinson and M'Cutcheon collected £110 15s. Donations were received from committees organised in various centres of the district, and many labourers contributed to the fund. A donation of £100 from Mr. R. L. Tooth, as the nucleus of the endowment fund to commemorate the Jubilee year, was also received. The institution has also £450 at fixed deposit. Mr. Cowdroy was elected president; Messrs. Ashdown and Gowing, vice-presidents; Mr. Scott, treasurer; Messrs. Filmer and Jardine, auditors; and there were nominated for committee, Messrs. Peel, Parsons, Troyford, Lee, Hanscombe, Hall, Braine, Cansdell, Atkinson, Kirkpatrick, Murphy, Rixon, and Bathgate.

BREWARRINA, Thursday.

An exciting hospital meeting was held last night. A motion for the appointing of two doctors was debated and lost. There were 81 personal votes and 23 proxies for, and 21 personal and 124 proxies against. The point was raised that proxies were illegal, but it was overruled by the chairman.

The country looks well after the recent rains.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The annual meeting of the Christian Endeavour Union was held in the Congregational Church last night. It was reported that the local union now had a membership of 560, including 300 adults. The Rev. H. Radford was elected president, and the Rev. A. P. Burgess vice-president. A resolution was carried protesting against the flagrant manner in which the Sabbath laws are broken on Broken Hill.

The highest temperature in the shade was 92°. To-night it turned cold, with a strong wind and a dull sky.

CHATSWORTH ISLAND, Thursday.

A meeting of the Farmers' Union was held last night, at which there was a fair attendance. Mr. Anderson presided. It was decided to invite Mr. Thompson to inspect the ensilage stack built with cane tops by a resident at Goodwood Island four months ago, also the silo at Warregah Island. The amalgamation of the Farmers' Commercial and Producers' Union and the Dairymen's Association was approved. It was decided to ask Mr. Thompson to superintend the building of an ensilage stack of green fodder on a local farm, the material and labour to be provided gratis by local farmers. Mr. Thompson is expected here on the 27th instant.

Owing to the wet weather an extensive erosion of the banks of the Serpentine Channel has taken place, allowing the trees to fall in the stream and blocking navigation.

COOLAMON, Thursday.

This evening a cool change has come up from the west. It is now cloudy and dull, with promises of rain.

Splendid entries have been received for the Coolamon annual athletic sports to be held here on Anniversary Day. There are 36 nominations for the principal handicap, whilst the bicycle events have also filled up well.

COOTAMUNDRA, Thursday.

An active movement is being made by Messrs. P. Heffernan and G. H. Greene towards the founding of a co-operative mill, to be run on the profit-sharing principle. They are likely to succeed.

The South Coast and West Camden Company, of Sydney, are altering their articles of association with the view of operating in breadstuffs and relieving the Sydney market. Mr. Meares, the manager, and Mr. Fairbairn (Co-operative Society) are to be here soon to inquire into direct supplies for this district.

CORAKI, Thursday.

Beautiful weather has been experienced during the week. Splendid grass is met with everywhere. Stock are in grand condition. The roads are gradually improving after the late continued wet weather. The river and all creeks have now regained their ordinary level.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

Thirty trucks of frozen mutton were sent from the local works during the week for export to London, via Melbourne.

With reference to the recent recommendation of the local land board to withdraw 5000 acres of temporary common for settlement purposes, the municipal commons trustees have resolved to strenuously oppose the proposal, and after a long discussion it was decided to petition the chairman of the land board to rehear the case, when evidence in opposition will be brought, the trustees and the citizens generally regarding the proposal as a severe blow to local trade and industries, Deniliquin common always being considered one of the largest depots for travelling stock in the colony, and last year alone over 750,000 sheep crossed, besides cattle, horses, and local stock pasturage.

FORBES, Thursday.

To-day at the Crown lands office 38 applicants lodged 105 applications for three homestead selections and one settlement lease area on Jemalong run. The successful applicants were Edward Owens Field, Felix Duffy, and John Joseph Strauey for homestead selections, and John Joseph Sweeney for settlement lease. The deposits lodged amounted to £603 9s 2d.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

From the latest information to hand from various important wheat centres of the district may be gathered the fact that the wheat crop is practically a failure. Several small areas have been got in, although in this latter case even the wheat, if not not greatly deteriorated, cannot be said to have escaped scatheless, as during the last month or so the weather has been so broken that it may be said to be an impossibility to harvest the crop without having any rain on it after the cutting. Thousands of bushels have thus been lost in this district alone, representing at least a few thousands of pounds, one place reporting £1800 worth lost. The real yield cannot with any great accuracy be told, as the conflicting reports make this task one of utter impossibility. The largest field, comparatively speaking, safely harvested is 19 acres in extent; other portions, such as an acre or two here and there, are also reported to have been got in.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

A shocking accident occurred this afternoon on the railway near Barber's Creek. A stranger named Thomas Conolly was run over by a passenger train. He says he was sitting on the line. The man must have been dozing, as he jumped up suddenly, but was struck before he could get away. He sustained very serious injuries, his two arms being broken and his head and right thigh badly cut. He was brought to Goulburn and conveyed to the hospital.

GUNNING, Thursday.

Yesterday was one of the most unpleasant days experienced here for some time. From early morning strong westerly winds, with clouds of dust began to sweep through the town. The air was sultry all night, and the wind as it rose was heated as from a furnace.

Mr. N. T. Collins, the coroner, held an inquest at Duck's Creek, near Gundaroo, on the body of William Greenwood, aged 13, who was accidentally shot yesterday by a gun discharged while in the hands of his brother John. A verdict of accidental death was returned, no blame being attached to anyone.

GUNNEDAH, Thursday.

The annual meeting of the School of Arts was held last night. The attendance was small. The annual report and treasurer's statement for the past year were read and adopted. Rev. W. H. Forster was elected president, Messrs. Garnham and Montgomerie vice-presidents, Mr. Kuhl treasurer, and Mr. Tarran secretary. The old committee were re-elected with the exception of Mr. J. Jarmain, whose place was filled by Mr. Little.

The river rose very considerably during yesterday afternoon and last night.

INVERELL, Thursday.

Excitement prevailed in town to-day over the Bannockburn homestead selection, situated 11 miles from Inverell. There were nearly 100 applications for two blocks of land, consisting of 323 acres 2 roods and 320 acres 3 roods. The balloting took place at the courthouse. Mr. J. M'Feteridge drew the first portion, and Mr. William Lockerey the second. Both are local men. There were applicants from Moree and elsewhere.

KIANDRA, Thursday.

The fresh to moderate north-westerly gale, which has continued blowing since Tuesday, increased in force this morning to a strong gale. The barometer during the last eight hours has fallen considerably, and at present the weather looks very threatening.

LITHGOW, Thursday.

A magisterial inquiry was held to-day before Mr. John James, J.P., touching the death of a lad named Garnet Everitt, who was drowned in a dam off the Vale-road yesterday evening. The evidence showed that the lad was bathing with other boys and got beyond his death. Help arrived too late to save him.

MACLEAN, Thursday.

Eight youths were fined at the local police court this morning for riotous behaviour at Palmer's Island on New Year's Eve. The Bench strongly commented on the ancient custom of carrying on with a free hand, and characterised the whole thing as a nuisance.

A narrow escape from death is reported from Murrayville, where a man named Martin Wills and a companion were engaged in felling a huge tree. With the view of felling the tree in the desired direction the use of a rope was resorted to, but this failed to act as required, and the tree falling where Wills stood his escape from death is most miraculous. Wills then organised a cricket match with other Murrayville residents, and while in the act of catching one of the first balls the ball hit the back of his right hand, smashing the metacarpal bones. He was thereupon brought into Maclean for surgical treatment.

MITTAGONG, Thursday.

A lecture, illustrated with lantern views, on the Jenolan Caves was delivered in the Church of England Schoolroom last night by the Rev. E. Hargraves in aid of the Church Society.

The weather for the past two days has been very warm, with strong winds blowing.

MOAMA, Thursday.

At the inquest on Constable Morrison an open verdict was returned. The funeral this afternoon was largely attended.

MORUYA, Thursday.

The Wesleyan body held an open-air fete yesterday on the agricultural grounds. There was a large attendance, and the fete was a great success.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

The following applications for land were lodged in the lands office to-day:—John Now, 200 acres, Cook's Gap, parish of Wyaldra; William Gorrie, 500 acres, Windeyer-road, parish of Avisford; George James, 800 acres, parish of Mudgee.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

Hot weather prevails, with slight indications of rain.

At the annual meeting of members of the School of Arts held last night Mr. Theo Morath was re-elected president; Mr. C. C. Norton, vice-president; Mr. H. B. Squire, treasurer; Mr. F. C. Smith, secretary. The treasurer's balance-sheet showed a credit balance of £107 including the Government subsidy.

During the latter part of 1896 the local land board sat at Millie to entertain an application from the selectors of that district for the opening of a travelling stock route from Millie to Woolabra. A large amount of evidence was taken, and the board decided in favour of the applicants. In May, 1897, the matter came before the Land Appeal Court at Tamworth, when Mr. Eckford, a squatter in the locality, appealed against the recommendation of the local land board, the appeal being disallowed with costs. The matter was then allowed to drop, but the selectors have been agitating ever since. The matter now will, it is understood, come before the Land Appeal Court at Sydney shortly, when the case will be referred back to the local land board for re-hearing.

NYNGAN, Thursday.

An important sale of horses was held here yesterday and to-day, at which there was a large attendance of buyers, including buyers for India. The horses came from Kiameron, Fairlight, Half-Moon, Willow Glen, and other stations. About 180 head were sold, the highest price being £15, and the average £7. There was a brisk sale.

The weather has been exceedingly hot the last two days. The river is coming down a banker.

During the last rain from five to six inches fell up the river.

Judge Coffey presides at the District Court to-morrow. There is only one case set down for hearing.

PAMBULA, Thursday.

A meeting of the commoners was held in the courthouse this afternoon. New trustees were appointed for the Pambula temporary common.

QUIRINDI, Thursday.

The local company of Australian Horse was drilled yesterday. There was a large attendance.

Last night a public meeting was held in the School of Arts, the Mayor (Alderman Cornelius O'Neil) in the chair, at which speeches were made by prominent citizens condemning the undermanning, &c., of the railway station.

WAGGA WAGGA, Thursday.

At the annual meeting of the Wagga Fire Brigade the election of officers resulted as follows:—Captain, S. A. Mumford; first lieutenant, H. Struss; treasurer, J. Snellings; secretary, J. Greenfield. Captain Edney resigned from the brigade. It was resolved to carry on until the money in hand was expended or the new Fire Brigades Bill became law.

The annual meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church was held last night. The report was most satisfactory.

A report from Lockhart states that stripping and threshing operations are completed in that district, the results being fairly satisfactory.

The Quarter Sessions were continued to-day. Alfred Charles Taber, charged with perjury in connection with a maintenance case in which he was the defendant, was found guilty. Mr. Whitfeld, who appeared for the accused, asked that he should be dealt with under the First Offenders Act. Judge Rogers declined to accede to the request, as perjury was too serious a charge for so lenient a course. The accused was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour. Thomas O'Donnell was charged with the larceny of £53 at Narrandera on December 20. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and the prisoner was sentenced to three months' hard labour, and to enter into sureties at the end of that time to be of good behaviour for 12 months, or in default a further imprisonment for three months.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The annual general meeting of the subscribers to the Maitland Hospital was held yesterday afternoon. Mr. Neville D. Cohen (president) occupied the chair. The report and balance-sheet were adopted. The following gentlemen were elected to the committee:—Messrs. Neville Cohen (president), H. Crothers, R. W. Thompson, J. Gillies, W. H. Mullen, Isaac Gorrick, W. Howell, E. Norman, Sep. Levy, J. Holden, A. Cobb, J. H. Brunker, J. W. Birkenhead, and R. Ross.

The annual meeting of the subscribers to the Maitland Benevolent Asylum was held on Tuesday evening at the institution. The report and balance-sheet, showing a credit balance of £203 2s 11d, were adopted. The following ladies were elected to the committee:—Mesdames W. H. Smith, R. Campbell, A. Cobb, J. Birkenhead, G. Clift, R. Logan, J. Rourke, W. Norman, A. Thomas, Misses Rourke, Kerr, and Anderson. Mr. R. W. Thompson was appointed hon. secretary.

Typhoid fever is prevalent in Maitland district, and is appearing in its worst form. Eighteen cases have already been reported, and two deaths have occurred, the victims being under 20 years of age.

The usual fat stock sales were held at Campbell's Hill to-day. There was a large attendance of buyers. In the cattle section there was a fairly large supply forward. Sales were brisk, and prices about equal to late rates.

WALGETT, Thursday.

The weather is very hot, the maximum shade readings yesterday and to-day being 103°.

NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL.

The tenth annual meeting of the subscribers to the North Shore Hospital was held last night in the local School of Arts, and was well attended. The president (Rev. A. Yarnold) occupied the chair. The annual report showed that although the year commenced with a debit balance and has closed with a credit one, the income has been actually smaller than the expenditure, it being the transfer of accumulated interest on the bequest of the late Thomas Walker that has made it apparently larger. A close examination of the sources of income shows a considerable falling-off both under the heads of subscriptions and donations, and it is only the large Government subsidy received consequent on greater efforts made during the previous year to raise funds that has made the balance-sheet look so well as it does. Great stress is laid upon the necessity for increased efforts to meet expenses, and an appeal is made to the residents of the neighbourhood for greater support. During the year 351 patients have been treated, being an increase of 27 over the previous year, of which number 235 were discharged cured, 79 relieved, the number of deaths being 27, and 10 patients remained under treatment in the hospital on December 31, 1897. The average daily number of patients has been 16·12, as against 15·12 for the previous 12 months, and the average stay in days 16·3 as against 17·6, the death rate being 7·9 per cent. The sum of £141 6s 6d was contributed in varying sums by 134 patients, as against £153 15s by 126 patients the previous year. Regret is expressed at the announcement that Mr. F. W. Syer has intimated his inability to permit himself to be nominated as hon. secretary at the commencement of another year, and the committee desires to place on record its warmest appreciation of Mr. Syer's labours, covering a period of eight years. The statement of accounts shows the gross receipts to amount to £1315 6s, and the expenditure to £1256 16s 1d, leaving a credit balance of £46 18s 8d. The chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, said the report on the whole was fairly satisfactory, although the financial aspect was not pre-eminently so. Although a credit balance existed there was a sad falling-off in the number of subscribers. That 350 patients had been treated during the year instanced the usefulness of the institution, which was doing good work and was deserving of much greater support from the residents than it received. The report and balance-sheet were adopted unanimously. Dr. Kyngdon moved, Mr. R. Forsyth seconded, and it was carried,—"That this meeting desires to place on record its high appreciation of the valuable services Mr. F. W. Syers has rendered during the past eight years as hon. secretary to the North Shore Hospital, during which time his best energies and warmest sympathies have been devoted to the interests of the institution; and further, that this meeting regrets sincerely that he is no longer able to spare the time and energy necessary to his continuance of office." The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Rev. A. Yarnold; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. R. Carey, R. Forsyth, T. E. Creswell; committee, Mesdames Mordaunt Clarke, T. E. Creswell, and Old, Messrs. F. W. Syer, J. Harding, J. Crowley, J. Hobson, Felix Sandle, and P. C. Trebeck; hon. solicitor, Mr. T. B. Dibbs; auditors, Messrs. Norman Gilfillan and Mordaunt Clarke. The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the medical staff, nursing staff, and the hon. treasurer.

ASHFIELD SANITATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As there seems to be some misapprehension amongst the ratepayers with regard to sanitary matters at Ashfield, for their information I would like to state that in April last I moved the following resolution in the Ashfield Council:—"That the Mayor be requested to invite the attendance of the Mayors and aldermen of the neighbouring boroughs to a conference to be held at the Town Hall, Ashfield, with a view of dealing in a comprehensive manner with the garbage and nightsoil of the western suburbs." Alderman Albert Brown seconded the motion. It was rejected by the council on the grounds that it was premature, as the city surveyor had not returned from England, he having been sent to ascertain the best methods of dealing with garbage, &c. Later in the year, the Mayor moved practically the same resolution, which was carried. A conference was then held at the Town Hall, the outcome of which was that advertisements were inserted in the daily papers of November 25 inviting tenders from those willing to erect a destructor, tenders closing on December 8. And I have been waiting to hear the decision of the committee with reference thereto. I have always held to the opinion that the site for the crematory must be as far removed from the municipality as possible though several attempts have been made to have same established permanently in the North Ward, Ashfield, which I have resisted strenuously, and will continue to do so. I am, &c.,
Jan 20. ERNEST C. V. BROUGHTON.

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LAW REPORT.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar.)

PETITION FOR SEQUESTRATION.

Commercial Banking Company of Sydney versus Alexander Cochrane. Mr. Gaden (of Messrs. Cape, Kent, and Gaden) appeared for the petitioning creditors. Mr. J. A. I. Perry appeared for the respondent, and asked for an adjournment for a fortnight, as a settlement was probable. Mr. Gaden did not oppose the application, and an adjournment to February 3 was accordingly granted.

RELEASE OF ESTATE.

Re John Mackenne. On the motion of Mr. Cummins, who appeared for the applicant, the estate was released, the debts having been paid in full.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATION.

Frederick Worpel, of Gipps-street, Carrington, labourer. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

CREDITOR'S PETITION.

Robert Augustus Combermere Gibbings, of Castlereagh-street, Sydney, versus Herman Paul Sabiel, of Stanley-avenue, Mosman, near Sydney, and carrying on business at Hunter-street, Sydney. Petition to be heard January 27.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Friday, January 21.

In Equity.—Master's Office.—Before the Deputy Registrar in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Bowden v. Salisbury, to tax costs. At 11.30 a.m.: Speer v. Henderson, to tax costs; same v. same, to tax costs.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Chief Clerk: Hudson Brothers, Limited and Reduced, v. Young, 2.30.

Before the Chief Clerk in Bankruptcy.—At 2.10 p.m.: Re Bauvais, taxation of Official Assignee's costs.

POLICE COURTS.

Alleged Theft of Jewellery.—At the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. W. Edwards, S.M., Charles Sellars, 30, appeared to answer a charge of stealing two silver watches, one gold chain and seal, one silver snuffbox, one gold diamond ring, one gold signet ring, a gold scarf pin, one pair of gold sleevelinks, a pair silver sleevelinks, and several silver matchboxes, valued in all at £20, the property of John Kirkland. According to the evidence the prosecutor, who is a hardware merchant, was entrusted with the task of sending the jewellery, which had belonged to a gentleman who had died here, to the latter's relatives in England. Sellars, an employee of Mr. Kirkland, is stated to have been told to pack the articles for transit. When the case arrived in England the jewellery was not in it. It was further alleged that accused had pawned the articles in Sydney. Sellars was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions on January 27, bail being allowed in £80, and sureties to that amount.

Stealing in Company.—David Dummett, 32, a plumber, and Kate Hart, 29, were yesterday convicted at the Central Police Court of stealing a silver watch and two silver chains of the value of £3, the property of Michael Jerami, on January 14. The former was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour, and the female accused was fined 40s, in default 21 days.

Illegal Possession.—Michael Howard, 29, was sentenced at the Central Police Court yesterday to two months' gaol, with hard labour, for having in his possession a bag containing a coalbag and a quantity of rope, reasonably suspected of having been stolen.

Fraudulent Appropriation.—At the Central Police Court yesterday William Hughes, 26, a newsvendor, was convicted, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., of fraudulently appropriating to his own use the sum of 18s 4d, the property of Alfred Cecil Rowlands. He was fined 40s, with 6s 6d costs, in default two months' imprisonment.

Theft of Cigarettes.—George Rogers, alias James Leatherborough, 28, a stonemason, was sentenced at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon to three months' gaol, with hard labour, for stealing a packet of cigarettes valued at 18s 6d, the property of E. L. Sutton and Co.

Illtreating a Horse.—Herbert Anker, Inspector of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Women's Branch), proceeded against James Graham at the Central Police Court on a charge of illtreating a horse by working it with a sore back. Graham was fined 10s, in default two days.

Charge of Breaking and Entering.—At the Water Police Court yesterday Horace Kerslake, on remand, was charged with having broken and entered the dwelling-house of Wright Bardon, a dairyman residing at Manly, and stolen therefrom a silver Waltham watch, a silver albert, a matchbox, and about 24s in money, of the total value of £7 18s, the property of Stephen Lane. He was further charged with having stolen from the same dwelling a nickel watch, the property of Albert Somersall. The offences were alleged to have been committed on or about January 10. L. M. Trenn gave evidence that he had bought from the accused one of the watches alleged to have been stolen. The accused gave his name as William Johnson. Constable Williams deposed to having seen the accused at the Central Police Station and to having charged him with the theft of the missing articles belonging to Stephen Lane. He replied, "I was hard up, and when the men were milking I broke in and took the things." Mr. Love, D.S.M., committed the accused for trial at the next sitting of the Quarter Sessions.

Theft.—John Lane, 41, and William Lane, 16, were charged at the Water Police Court yesterday with having, in company, stolen two bags of brass condensing piping of the value of 25s, the property of Messrs. Huddart, Parker, and Co. Both accused were convicted. William Lane was fined £5, in default two months' imprisonment; while the younger accused was ordered to be imprisoned till the rising of the court.

Stealing.—At the Paddington Police Court yesterday before Mr. G. W. P. Addison, S.M., two young men named John Arkaway, 24, hairdresser, and Creswick Williams, 17, hairdresser, were charged with in company stealing one macintosh, valued at 7s 6d, the property of Ellen Daly, of No. 4 Goodhope-street, Paddington. It appeared that prosecutor's front door was open at the time accused were passing, and they entered and took the article. The magistrate sentenced each to one month's imprisonment.

Alleged Receiving.—At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., Frank Louis, aged 44, was charged with having received into his possession portion of a brass pump, a number of cogwheels, and pulleys, the property of Joseph William Johns, well knowing the same to have been stolen. Mr. Crick appeared for the defence. Senior-constable Wilson and Plain-clothes Constable Campbell stated that the articles forming the basis of this charge had been found by them at the residence of the accused in a bag with other stolen property for the receiving of which the accused is already under committal. William Johns, 11 years old, said he stole the brass, &c., along with another boy, from his father's workshop, and took it to the accused's place to sell. Witness told the accused not to tell his father, as he had stolen it. The accused said, "That will be all right, sonny." Witness took the accused his father's goods on six or seven different occasions. To Mr. Crick: When his father found out witness received a severe hiding, and he had not sold any since that occasion. Joseph William Johns, father of the last witness, stated that he altogether lost 14 cogwheels worth £44 6s 6d, pulleys worth £6, scrap brass £3, also tools of trade. The total value of the articles was £53 10s 6d. When witness missed the articles he went to the residence of the accused and described the stolen property. He was told there was nothing of that kind there, and that if anything of the sort did turn up the accused would let him know at once. Witness afterwards found out that two of his own children had, along with other boys, been stealing the articles and selling them to the accused. Some of them he found in the yard of the accused's residence. Witness did not trouble the accused about the matter further, but gave his children a good sound thrashing. Albert Hill, 16 years old, stated that he used to go to the accused's house with another boy and sell cogwheels, and also flat wheels, which they together had stolen from Mr. Johns's workshop. They always took them up to the accused's place at night. They told the accused to be sure and not tell on them, as they had stolen the articles. The accused would break the wheels up and throw them in a corner, and then tell witness to put water on them to rust the iron, in order that the owner should not know them. To Mr. Crick: The other boy joined witness when young Johns got sick. Witness had not seen the other boy for two months. His father did not know he was a thief. He had since reformed, because he became convinced that he was doing wrong, and he was afraid he would be found out. Witness always received a portion of the money—sometimes 1s, sometimes 6d. Other evidence having been given, the accused reserved his defence, and was committed to take his trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions. Bail was allowed.

Dispute between Two Syrians.—At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., Massoud Meree, aged 65, was charged with having assaulted Joseph Lanood on the 15th instant. The defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined £2, together with 4s 8d costs, 21s professional costs, 10s 6d interpreter's fees, and 20s witnesses' expenses, being a total of £4 16s 2d, in default imprisonment for two months.

Assault upon a Constable.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., James Murray, aged 39, was charged with having assaulted Constable Austin. The accused pleaded guilty, and was fined £3, in default imprisonment for two months.

Drummoyne Sanitary Rate.—The Balmain Police Court had quite an animated appearance yesterday in consequence of a numerous attendance of residents of Drummoyne, who were in there as the result of a number of test cases that were to be heard in connection with the administration of the sanitary rate of the borough. A number of cases were set down for hearing as the result of informations laid by the borough inspector, Mr. George Palmer and Mr. Armstrong (barrister) appeared to prosecute on behalf of the borough of Drummoyne, and Mr. Mark Williamson appeared for a number of the ratepayers. The cases arose out of a protest on the part of many ratepayers to contribute any sum in excess of that incurred by the council in carrying into effect the provisions of the Nuisances Prevention Act of 1897. In opening it was explained that by a resolution of the council in 1895, a contract was entered into with Mr. John Kowan to perform the sanitary contract of the borough at the rate of 5d per pan, and in the terms arranged by the council they fixed the rate at 6d, the margin being for reasonable expenses incurred and part of the salary of the council clerk; but they made it a condition precedent that in case of ratepayers paying a month beforehand the charge to them would be 5d per pan—and, as a matter of fact, some residents did receive this advantage. The contention of the defendants was that no greater charge than 5d per pan should be made to them, and this amount they were quite willing to contribute to the council. The case of Isaac Blackham was heard first, and the sum sued for was £2 3s 6d; but this was, it appeared, on a proportionate amount of a sum due of £8 4s. The magistrate said that so far as the evidence submitted to him went it seemed, taking all the facts into consideration, that the charge was a fair and reasonable one, more especially as to what was involved over and above the contract. Some difficulty, however, arose in reference to the point that the prosecution had failed to prove in the appointed way that the inspector was appointed to act in the manner he had done from the "Government Gazette." Mr. Delohery was about to dismiss the case on this point, but yielded to the request of Mr. Armstrong that a case should be stated for the decision of the Full Court, pending the consideration of other cases. The whole difficulty was got over at a later stage by the defendant Blackham admitting the amount of his indebtedness, and a verdict was given for the full amount claimed by the council, with £1 1s costs. In the case of Turnell there were somefive counts, and these occupied some considerable time, and were eventually withdrawn on a technicality. Verdicts were also obtained in the cases of Albert Taylor, George Colebrook, J. B. Bowden, and William Hayman for various amounts, and £1 1s costs were allowed in several of them.

Gambling Prosecutions at Balmain.—Yesterday at the Balmain Police Court, before Mr. C. Delohery, a number of young fellows were proceeded against on the information of Sub-inspector Alexander Boyd for gambling in a public place at Keniff-street, West Balmain, on January 8. John Keenan, who had been previously convicted, was fined 12s 6d, inclusive of costs, in default two days' gaol; and in the case of John Black, Henry Field, Cornelius Halloran, and Henry Hancock, they were each fined 7s 6d, in default 24 hours' imprisonment.

LIKENED TO A LEADEN BALL.

PECULIAR CASE OF A CONTRACTOR.

Mr. Larry Foran, a contractor and ganger, of Kerosene Bay, North Sydney, to a reporter from the Sydney "Worker," who questioned him as to his recovery from a wearisome illness by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, said:—"As I am well known, I may say all over the colony, I hope what I am about to say will be the means of saving other people from suffering as I did. I am working for the Government now at Folly Point, and have the control of a large number of men, and as it's almost time for me to start for the job I shan't be able to give you much more than the bare facts of my case. Mine was what you might call an in-an'-out illness. Some days I was well enough to do a bit of work, and some days I wasn't able to walk to the job, and sometimes I was too bad to leave the house at all. I suffered from indigestion and liver complaint. After eating my food used to be like a leaden ball on my chest for hours before it would digest; and it didn't matter what sort of food I took it didn't do me any good. And then my liver used to trouble me a good deal—a dull, heavy pain between the shoulders, with now and again a sharp pricking sensation in the same spot. Well, I tried lots of medicines, and went under several well-known Sydney doctors, but I got no better. In fact, I got worse. I became thin and yellow; slept at night only in fits and starts; and I hardly cared whether I ate anything or not. Once when I was laid up in the house, wondering when I was going to get better, a friend of mine brought me some of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. 'They'll be no use,' I said, 'for I've tried nearly everything.' However, I took them, and feeling an improvement, I sent for some more. They fairly astonished me. In a few days my indigestion had gone entirely. Once more I could enjoy my food without fear of pain afterwards. I picked up my lost flesh, slept well at nights, and my liver at last began to work properly again, and I got rid of the yellow-jaundice-looking colour in my face. I haven't time to say more, but if you will call on my brother Patrick he will be able to tell you that what I've said about my cure is true; also he will tell you about his own case, for he was pretty bad, too, and was cured by the same medicine. I am quite willing that the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. should publish this testimony wherever, whenever, and in whatever manner they may deem fit, and I shall be only too pleased if desired by the Company to verify my testimonial by making a statutory declaration as to its truth before a Justice of the Peace whenever I can make it convenient to see one.

The genuine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold only in wooden boxes, about two inches in length, encircling which is a blue warning label. The outside wrapper has the full name, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, printed in red. In case of doubt it is better to send direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Queen's-place, Sydney, enclosing the price, 2s 9d a box, or six boxes for 15s 3d. These pills are not a purgative, and they contain nothing that could injure the most delicate.

As a spring medicine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills far surpass all other remedies. Their action on the blood and nerves is prompt, and the effect is wonderful. Lassitude gives way to a feeling of renewed energy, and the lurking seeds of disease, resulting from the indoor confinement of the winter months, are speedily expelled from the system. These pills are sold only in boxes, the wrapper around which bears the full trade mark, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." A pill, even if coloured pink, offered in any other form is an objectionable imitation, and should be promptly refused. Buyers will protect themselves against imposition by bearing this in mind.—Advt.

PROPOSED PENNY 'BUS SERVICE.

TO BE RECONSIDERED BY THE TRANSIT COMMISSION.

HOW IT WILL AFFECT THE PRESENT INTERESTS.

That the Transit Commission acted hastily in rejecting the proposal of Mr. Arthur C. J. Wood for a penny 'bus service from Darlinghurst to the Circular Quay with so little consideration was generally remarked by the travelling public yesterday, and no one was readier to admit it than the Mayor (Alderman M. Harris), the chairman of the Transit Commission.

"The whole thing was done in a hurry," the Mayor explained to a "Herald" reporter yesterday, "and I frankly admit that I did not give due consideration to it. As soon as the letter making the application was read I saw that the crowded state of Oxford-street would be an obstacle in the way. At the time I thought that it would be an insuperable objection, but since then I have reconsidered the matter. Not only must the state of the traffic be kept in view, but we must also recognise that we owe something to the travelling public. If an efficient 'bus service, well horsed, can be placed on the route applied for, Darlinghurst from Oxford-street, via Liverpool and Pitt streets, to the Circular Quay, I would be inclined to favourably consider the proposal. In order that the matter may be reconsidered, I have directed Mr. Alfred Edward, the registrar of the Transit Commission to read the letter again at the meeting on Tuesday next. Until then I can say nothing further."

Mr. Wood's letter laid before the commission entered very little into details, so, with the object of gleaning further information, the writer was questioned regarding his proposal. Mr. Wood's plan is to put on six 'buses, which will enable a 10-minutes service to be run, the distance to the Circular Quay by the route proposed being one mile 60 chains. Each 'bus will be well horsed, the animals will be maintained in good condition, and will not be asked to do more than four journeys a day, that is, 16 miles at the outside. The service will be commenced about 8 a.m. and finished at 10 p.m. 'Buses will be secured of the newest and most comfortable design, carrying from 20 to 24 passengers each. He was certain that the line would pay. If it paid to run a 'bus from the further end of Paddington for 2d surely, he argues, it will pay to run from Darlinghurst for 1d. There is a large population round and about the terminus constantly travelling into the city, and besides, what is called the "pick-up" traffic, is large. Mr. Wood points out that if the service is sanctioned—and he intends to agitate until it is—it will force the Railway Commissioners to consider the question of having penny city sections on the tramways. In London there is a splendid penny 'bus service in sections, and he sees no reason why the public here should not be carried at least in some parts of the city for the same price.

Two interests will be adversely affected by the introduction of penny fares, the tramways and the owners of the 'buses already plying in Oxford and Pitt streets, and the opinion of their representatives is naturally unfavourable to the innovation.

"Oh, yes, it will pay," said a 'bus driver yesterday. "Of course it will pay; it will only be a short run, and it is not a heavy route. But see how it will cut us up who come the longer journeys. Why, in the slack parts of the day we take almost half our passengers between Darlinghurst and the Quay, and the twopences we get from these half journeys help us considerably. I don't know that we should make it pay if it was not for the 'pick-ups.' But, you see, we won't allow the penny 'bus to be introduced. We'll have all the 'busowners against it, not only the eastern suburbs 'busowners, but those having 'buses on the Glebe, Pyrmont, Forest Lodge, Annandale, Newtown, and Leichhardt lines, for if the penny 'bus succeeds in Oxford-street it won't be many months before they'll have a line from the railway station. We'll have the strongest deputation to the commission that has ever been seen in the room."

Mr. Kneeshaw, the superintendent of tramways, was also seen concerning the matter. But although he was opposed to the penny 'buses he was very guarded. No doubt it would affect the tramways to some extent. Every increase of travelling accommodation did that; but he did not think the tramway returns would be materially affected. As to whether a successful penny 'bus service would force forward city penny sections for the trams he was discreetly silent.

There are two facts that ought to be brought out in discussing the proposal. One is, that as far back as December, 1892, permission was granted to run a line of penny 'buses from the Railway Station to the Circular Quay, 1 mile 65 chains, five chains further than the present proposal, although it should be noted that the permission was never availed of; and the second is that at the present time there are two lines of penny 'buses running in the city, one from York-street to the top of William-street, and the other from York-street to St. Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst. These running along a much less busy route than Oxford-street pay, it is said, fairly well.

But if the Transit Commission comes to the conclusion that the public convenience will be served by the penny 'bus there are two difficult questions remaining for it to answer. The first is, should the owners of 'buses a portion of whose route practically covers the whole of the route of the proposed line have any consideration shown them; and the second is, whether the commission would be warranted in giving its sanction to a scheme which will add considerably to the already dangerously congested traffic of Oxford-street, a street so dangerous that it has been named by the more timid class of cyclists "Suicide Alley." Upon the decision which the board comes to on these questions rests the fate of the penny 'bus, for there can be no doubt that in the matter of fares, though in nothing else, the new line will be for the public good.

WYONG CREEK.

DEPUTATION TO THE MINISTER FOR WORKS.

Yesterday a deputation, introduced by Mr. H. C. Wheeler, M.L.A., and comprising Dr. Cox (president of the Fisheries Commissioners), Messrs. P. H. Morton, M.L.A., C. Alison, M. Cremer, and A. Rohnisch, waited on the Minister for Works, with the view of prevailing upon him to have Wyong Creek deepened. A petition signed by 50 or 60 licensed fishermen and others was presented. Speeches were delivered in which it was pointed out that at present fishermen experience great difficulty in carrying on their occupation owing to the existence of a mudbank. Occasionally it has been necessary to leave a boat on one side of this mudbank and to bring up another on the opposite side. The river is said to be free from the railway station down to the entrance to the lake, a distance of about four miles, and the obstruction of the mudbank extends about a third of a mile. It was urged that not only would the deepening of the creek be of advantage to the fishermen, but that it would have the effect of increasing the railway receipts in two ways, for more fish would be sent away by train, and there would be a larger number of visitors to the lake than at present if small steam launches could pass in and out. Mr. Young said that he should be very glad to do all he could reasonably to help the fishermen in the first place, the consumers of fish in the second place, and the railway revenue. The subject seemed to be mixed up with the question of having a jetty at Tuggerah Lakes. The deputation had, he thought, made out a very strong case for a thorough inquiry. It might be that there was sufficient reason to have one of these works, and, if so, he would have to determine which ought to be done. If the prospects of revenue were such as to justify the two, he would have great pleasure in carrying them both out if he had money enough at his disposal. They might depend upon it that whatever he could do he would.

SUFFERING THE TORTURES OF ECZEMA is the condition of thousands who live in ignorance of the fact that a warm bath with CUTICURA SOAP and a single anointing with CUTICURA, the great skin cure, followed by a full dose of CUTICURA RESOLVENT, greatest of blood purifiers and humour cures, will afford instant relief, permit rest and sleep, and point to a speedy, permanent, and economical cure, when all other methods fail. CUTICURA WORKS WONDERS, and its cures of torturing, disfiguring humours are the most wonderful ever recorded.—Advt.

TO MAKE A CERTAINTY OF REACHING OLD AGE,
TAKE
DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE.

THEY WILL RID YOU OF DISEASE AND SUFFERING, AND REJUVENATE YOUR SYSTEM. A PERUSAL OF THE FOLLOWING TESTIMONIALS WILL CONVINCE YOU OF THEIR MARVELLOUS CURATIVE PROPERTIES:—

A SUFFERER FOR 15 YEARS FROM INDIGESTION.

DOCTORS FAILED TO BELIEVE HER.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FINALLY RESCUE HER.

(From the Leichhardt Standard.)

"For fifteen years I suffered from indigestion." This is what a Melbourne lady (Mrs. Boyes), now residing at 162 Dowling-street, Sydney, where she is on a lengthy visit, said to a reporter from the Leichhardt Standard. "A long weary time to be ill," said that lady, who is at present quite a picture of health and strength, "and I might have been suffering still if I had not had the good fortune to drop on a paragraph in the Melbourne papers describing a cure by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, in a case very similar to mine. Though I always had the indigestion with me it came on much more violently at times than was usual. The attacks were at first comparatively light, but as years went on they became more and more severe. They usually commenced with a feeling of sickness and a disinclination to eat, and when I did manage to eat some light food it would lie on my chest in a heavy, immovable lump. The sensation was most oppressive and distressing, and sometimes I was in such pain that I could hardly get any sleep, and often and often I would wake up in the middle of the night with a start, and not get any more sleep till the morning, and when I did get out of bed I would feel depressed in spirits and quite overcome by a feeling of lassitude and weariness. In addition to this I had violent headaches and a most awkward giddiness when I got up suddenly from a sitting posture, and I suffered from a continual bad breath and an unpleasant taste in the mouth. I also occasionally had bad bilious turns. Of course, I was not as you see me now, but was was much thinner, with a pale, unhealthy complexion. Lying in bed did me no good at all, and I was tormented with the thought that my wretched complaint was chronic and incurable. During all these long years, in addition to the attention of doctors and medicines (of the former I had more than one), I tried a large number of other remedies, but I may candidly say that none of them did me an atom of good. At length, as I told you before, I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The effect was astonishing; after taking them for only a short time the attack I was then suffering from was then completely got rid of. I had a sound, healthy appetite, which I hadn't had for years, and my sleep was no longer disturbed at night. I took altogether about 12 boxes, and the Pills completely cured me of both my indigestion and biliousness, and I have never had the least return of these complaints, or, in fact, of any illness since."

NERVOUS PROSTRATION AND INCIPIENT CONSUMPTION CURED.

Miss Frances Eden resides with her parents at Queen's-parade, Clifton Hill, Victoria. When our representative called Miss Eden was busily engaged in domestic duties—a fortnight's washing she smilingly described it as—the result of the hot weather that had necessitated the running of one week into the other. "Not that I object to the hot weather so much now," said Miss Eden. "But, then, my health is not the same. Two years since I had an attack of fever—I was 17 at the time—that left me in a very low state of health, and so utterly weak that I became a regular nuisance to everyone about me. The doctor said it was dyspepsia, and for a time I believed him. But as no improvement was noticeable mother took me away for a change. I returned as bad as ever, however—worse, if such were possible, for now I had pains across the small of my back and in the vicinity of my heart. The smallest exertion made me tired, and I was fast losing the use of my limbs. Owing to insufficient exercise I could sleep, but it was not a natural rest, as I wished to lie down at all times. As to my complexion, it was as if it had been starched."

"No one could accuse you of that now, Miss Eden?"

"No. I am almost ashamed of my high colour, which fully testifies to the quality of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People."

"You tried them?"

"I did. One evening in August of last year a lady friend of mine came in to see me. She had a paper in her hand, and commenced reading an extract from the advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. She advised me to try some, remarking that if they did me no good they could do me no harm, and my medical adviser had told me I was going into a decline. I purchased a box, and had taken one and started a second, when the doctor who had attended me during and since the fever called. Before leaving he confided to my mother that what he had feared was coming on—the hectic flush appearing in my cheeks was a sure sign of incipient consumption. Well (laughing), that hectic flush remained in my cheeks, and the more of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I took the more it spread, and by the time I had taken five it had covered my face, and has remained ever since, while the pains in my back and heart have disappeared. I can sleep like an ordinary mortal, and also save my mother all the worry of housework."

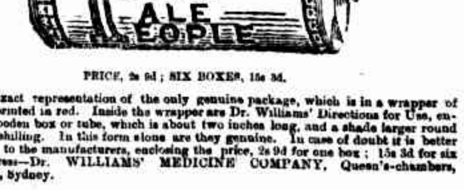
"And you recommend them?"

"Yes, everywhere. You can repeat all I have said."

"Certainly you can," corroborated Mrs. Eden, "such a good, sterling remedy cannot be too widely known."

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE.

Genuine only with the FULL NAME, thus—



PRICE, 2s 9d; SIX BOXES, 15s 3d.

This is an exact representation of the only genuine package, which is in a wrapper of white paper, printed in red. Inside the wrapper are Dr. Williams' Directions for Use, enclosing the wooden box or tube, which is about two inches long, and a shade larger round than a silver shilling. In this form alone are they genuine. In case of doubt it is better to send direct to the manufacturers, enclosing the price, 2s 9d for one box; 15s 3d for six boxes. Address—Dr. WILLIAMS' MEDICINE COMPANY, Queen's-chambers, Queen's-place, Sydney.

PERSISTENT LIVER TROUBLE CURED.

Mr. Frank Cronin is a resident at the present time of No. 8 Swan-street, Fitzroy. Well known as an old Collins-street business man our representative had no difficulty in securing an interview. Mr. Cronin is at present out of business, a fact caused to a great extent by a liver complaint that, he remarked to a representative of ours, appeared to be a peculiarity of the Australian climate.

"When did you first commence to feel the effects?"

"About nine years since. I was then in business in Collins-street West. Medical men whom I consulted remarked that I was suffering from 'liver complaint,' and proceeded to dose me with all sorts of powders and draughts. I then tried Homoeopathy, and must admit that some temporary good resulted; but the least change of diet and a warm day was sufficient to lay me up for days. For six years I can safely say that I did not experience two months of consecutive good health. Periodically my complexion would assume a yellow hue, succeeded by a dull aching pain under the shoulder blades, and I lost all sense of taste, and I had to use strong purgative medicine. I was confined to a strict diet, but still the ill effects remained. At length I commenced to look on myself as incurable, and medical men had no hesitation in so informing me. But a change came last summer. I secured some of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and in less than a week felt myself a new man. When I had finished two boxes I commenced to feel a return of my appetite—a good steak was substituted for dry toast washed down with skimmed milk and soda, and when I had finished the whole course of six, I had fully recovered my previous good health."

"Your opinion of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills must be a high one?"

"It is; so high that I willingly give you the particulars and full permission to publish them."

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE.

FOR MEN AND WOMEN.

This wonderful remedy is offered to the public with a full confidence that there is no disease arising from a watery or impoverished condition of the blood or shattered nervous forces which it will not cure if the directions are faithfully followed and the treatment persisted in. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are not a patent medicine, but are a thoroughly scientific preparation, the result of years of careful study on the part of an eminent Edinburgh University physician, and they were successfully used by him in his everyday practice for years before being offered for general sale. They positively cure all diseases arising from a poor and watery condition of the blood, such as pale and sallow complexion, general muscular weakness, loss of appetite, depression of spirits, lack of ambition, anaemia, chlorosis or green sickness, palpitation of the heart, shortness of breath on slight exertion, coldness of hands or feet, swelling of the feet and limbs, pain in the back, nervous headache, dizziness, loss of memory, ringing in the ears, early decay, all forms of female weakness, hysteria, paralysis, locomotor ataxy, rheumatism, sciatica; all diseases depending on vitiated humours of the blood, causing scrofula, swelled glands, fever sores, rickets, acquired deformities, chronic erysipelas, catarrh, consumption of the bowels and lungs, and also for invigorating the blood and system when broken down by overwork, worry, disease, excesses and indiscretions of living, recovery from acute diseases, such as fevers, &c., loss of vital powers, premature old age.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a perfect blood builder and a nerve restorer, curing such diseases as rheumatism, neuralgia, partial paralysis, locomotor ataxia, St. Vitus' dance, nervous headache, nervous prostration, the after-effects of la grippe, influenza, and severe colds, diseases depending on humours in the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, &c. Pink Pills give a healthy glow to pale and sallow complexions, and are a specific for the troubles peculiar to the female system, and in the case of men effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork, or excesses of any nature.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—January 20.

Maranoa, s., 1505 tons, Captain C. A. Thorpe, from Burketown, via ports.—Passengers—Mesdames M'Kenzie, Clark, Harrison and 2 children, Latham, Jones, Phillips, Hamilton and child, Misses Ferguson, Green, Doyle (2), Monaghan, Pilot Rossiter, Rev. Jones, Messrs. F. Brown, Ledbury, Latham (2), J. H. King, Tweedal, King, Phillips, O'Mara, Casey, M. Hill, Hamilton, J. H. Cullen, Parkinson, A. Jardine, Galvey, H. Douglas, B. Cushing, Oldham, J. Robinson, and 70 in the steerage. Also the following through passengers—Mrs. Simson, Misses M'Lenon (3), Messrs. Williams, J. Berry, Simson, M'Mickey and 7 children, K. Cooper, O. L. Rosman. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Kallatina, s., 660 tons, Captain John Magee, from Clarence 19th instant. Passengers—Mesdames Dezarnaulds, Lunney, Bradfield, A. Green, T. Green, Isbester and family, Attwater and family, Newman, Cairns, Misses Marshall, Lunney (3), Barnes, Munro, Ball, Newman, Dr. T. J. Henry, F.R.C.S., Dr. Barrymore, F.R.C.S., Messrs. A. Rodenbach, H. C. Cutler, A. Russell, T. J. Fawkner, J. T. Todd, H. J. Chapman, W. J. Frost, W. Lotherington, C. J. Small, E. Evans, A. M'Kinnon, F. Noonan, T. Belton, P. Bawden, Maynard, Masters Foley, Priddle, Lunney (2), and 11 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Burrawong, s., 391 tons, Captain R. Taplin, from Macleay River January 19. Passengers—Mesdames Fane, Bowen, Lee, Bryson, Misses Ryan, Ainsworth, Hinchcliffe, Steele (2), Chambers, Conlon, Benson, Agnew, Eaton, Bryson (2), Mackey, Messrs. M'Carthy, Milton, Eaton, J. Lee, G. Lee, Frost, Morrison, W. Lee, Masters Baynton (2), Bowen, and 15 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Burrumbeet, s., 2420 tons, Captain Thorpe, from Newcastle. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Emu, s., 616 tons, Captain Oliver, from Port Kembla. John Williams, agent.

Newcastle, s., 1251 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

Sydney, s., 634 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

South Australian, s., 716 tons, Captain R. Magrath, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

Macleay, s., 398 tons, Captain E. Farrell, from Richmond River. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, Agents.

Allowrie, s., 507 tons, Captain G. Walker, from Eden, via ports, January 19. Passengers—Mesdames Nodin, Dennis, Cooper, Singleton, Neile, Iizay, Callaghan, Hume, Ashdown, Davies, Marshall, Misses Hamilton, Lingen, Ramsay, Bray, Griffith, Lee, Begent, Messrs. Neile, Bowie, Chyhoug, Lloyd, Dunn, Arnold, Ireland, O'Reilly, Moran, Ryan, Molesworth, Heffernan, Cooper, Francis, Dennis, Manning, Davies, Masters Grant, Davies (2), Wood, Gowing, Singleton, Bell, Woolnough, and 8 in the steerage. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Oakland, s., 528 tons, Captain R. Alley, from Richmond River January 19. Passengers—Mesdames Mulhearn, Gray, Edwards, Smith, and Lester and family, Misses Laycock, Sladen, and Smith, Messrs. Smiles, Richardson, Long, Smith, Bramble, Fredericks, Harber, Master Smith, and 12 in the steerage. W. T. Yeager, agent.

Illawarra, s. 522 tons, Captain Garde, from South Coast. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coomonderry, s., 146 tons, Captain Garde, from South Coast. Huddart Parker and Co., Limited, agents.

Peterborough, s., 150 tons, Captain J. Wilson, from Bateman's Bay. J. Aubin, agent.

DEPARTURES.—January 20.

H.M.S. Lizard, for Portsmouth.

Whangaroa, schooner, for Foxton, via Newcastle.

Emu, s., for Marshall Islands.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—January 21.

Burrumbeet, s, for Melbourne; Maranoa, s, for Normanton and Burketown, via ports; Karawerra, s., for Cairns, via ports; Electra, s., for Richmond River; Oakland, s., for Richmond River, via Newcastle; Illawarra Steam Navigation Company's steamers for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla; Namoi, s., for Newcastle; South Australian, s., for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—January 20.

Corolla, barque, 1284 tons, Captain W. D. Fraser, for Tai Tal in ballast. Passengers—Mrs. Fraser and 3 children.

Whangaroa, schooner, 132 tons, Captain W. Cozens, for Foxton (N.Z.), via Newcastle, in ballast.

Emu, s., 616 tons, Captain W. E. Oliver, for Marshall Islands.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—January 20.

Cooloon, schooner, Captain W. Lelliott, for Tweed River; Sea Flower, ketch, Captain D. Ravel, for Tweed River, via Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—January 20.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Maranoa, s., from Queensland ports: 550 bales wool, 440 hides, 78 bags hides, 30 bales skins, 85oz. gold, 52 bags oysters, 63 casks tallow, 2085 bunches bananas, 690 cases pines, 101 cases geological instruments, 800 cases arrowroot, 680 bags sugar, 51 bales kapok, 25 bags bacon, and sundries.

Kallatina, s., from Clarence River: 114 bags maize, 3 bags bones, 424 bags sugar, 2 bags onions, 4 bags pumpkins, 7 bags potatoes, 224 bales 8 bags wool, 142 cases eggs, 15 cases fruit, 21 cases fish, 6 casks tallow, 31 coops poultry, 1 horse, 136 hides, 653 boxes butter, 7 crates bacon, 47 pigs, and sundries.

Burrawong, s., from Macleay River: 419 bags maize, 88 bags potatoes, 16 calves, 30 cases eggs, 1 case fish, 1 cask tallow, 15 coops poultry, 28 hides, 232 boxes butter, 45 pigs, and 19 packages sundries.

Allowrie, s., from Eden: 1426 cheese, 1076 cases butter, 6 kegs butter, 26 cans cream, 94 bales wool, 589 bags maize, 237 bags bark, 58 bags potatoes, 10 bags salt, 7 bags oysters, 18 cases eggs, 92 cases raisins, 7 bundles skins, 114 pigs, 3 calves, and a quantity of sundries.

EXPORTS.—January 20.

Emu, s., for Marshall Islands: 520 tons coal and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: January 20, Arawatta, from Sydney; Cintra, s., from Cooktown; Burwah, s., from Rockhampton; Taiyuan, s., from Hongkong. Departure: January 20: Taiyuan, s., for Sydney. The Elamang, s., arrived at Rockhampton, from Brisbane. The Peregrine, s., arrived at Flattop from Brisbane. The Bullarra, s., left Townsville for Cairns. The Aramac, s., arrived at Port Douglas from south.

YAMBA.—Arrival: January 20, City of Grafton, s., from Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: January 20, Williams, s., from Port Stephens; Namoi, s., South Australian, s., Timaru, s., Coraki, s., Dovedale, s., Monowai, s., Friendship, s., Express, s., Amy, brig, Garron, Jones Brothers, schooners, Duckenfield, Sophia Ann, s., from Sydney. Departures: January 20, Burrumbeet, s., for Melbourne; via Sydney, with 2250 tons coal; Ashley, s., for Melbourne, with 3150 tons coal; G. M. Tucker, barque, for Wellington, with 694 tons coal; Barrier, s., for Port Pirie, via Adelaide, with 2950 tons coal; Coraki, s., for the Manning River; Friendship, s., for the Tweed River; Louise Messel, schooner, for Camden Haven; Cambrian Warrior, barque, for Panama, with 2140 tons coal; Vailele, schooner, Fanny, barque, South Australian, s., Western, s., Timaru, s., Namoi, s., for Sydney.

GABO.—Passed: January 20, Ouraka, s., at 8.30 a.m., north; Port Melbourne, s., at 10 a.m., Scottish Hero, s., at 12.25 p.m., Time, s., at 12.45 p.m., all west.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: January 20, Coorce, s., from Launceston; Waroonga, s., from Western Australia.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: January 20, Wollowra, s., from Western Australia; Yarkand, ship, from Sundsvaal; Lake Superior, ship, from London. Departure: January 20, Wollowra, s., for Melbourne.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Arrival: January 20, Augusta, s., at 5.20 a.m., from Sydney.

RICHMOND RIVER.—Departure: January 20, Western Star at 5.30 p.m.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival: January 20, City of Grafton, s., at 9 a.m., from Sydney.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Arrival: January 20, Excelsior, from Coff's Harbour. Departure: January 20, Excelsior at 5 p.m.

BELLINGER HEADS.—Arrival: January 20, Alert, from Solitary Island; reports all well. Departure: January 20, Alert, tug, at 5 a.m., for Solitary Island.

NAMBUCCA HEADS.—Departures: January 20, J. G. Kondio, schooner, at 5.45 a.m.; Lansdowne, ketch, at 6 a.m., for Sydney.

TRIAL BAY.—January 20: Wollumbin, s., at anchor in bay.

COFF'S HARBOUR.—Arrival: January 20, Excelsior, s., at 1 p.m., from Sydney. Departure: January 20, Excelsior, s., at 12.30 p.m., for Sydney.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrival: January 20, Euroka, s., at 5 a.m., from Nambucca River. Departure: January 20, Empress of India, schooner, at 5 a.m., for Sydney; Euroka, s., at 6 p.m., for Sydney.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: January 20, Eurimbla, s., at 12.25 p.m., north.

SEAL ROCKS.—January 20, Billie Barlow at anchor in bay.

CAMDEN HAVEN.—Departures: January 20, Hilda, schooner, at 6 a.m., for Sydney; Defender, ketch, at 7.45 a.m.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arrival: January 20, Express, s., at 5 a.m. Departure: January 20, Venture, ketch, at 6 a.m.

PORT STEPHENS.—Passed: January 20, Jane, schooner, at 10.30 a.m., south; Billie Barlow, s., at 10.30 a.m., north; a barque at 2.45 p.m., south.

BARRANJOEY.—Departures: January 20, Freja, ketch, at 8 a.m., Kingsley at 6.30 p.m., for Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrivals: January 20, Palmerston, s., at 1 a.m., and Captain Cook, s., at 9.50 a.m., from Sydney; Albatross, schooner, at 4 p.m., from Botany. Departures: January 20 Palmerston, s., at 4.20 p.m., for Sydney; Captain Cook at 4 p.m., Lindus at 7.45 p.m., for Newcastle.

PORT KEMBLA.—Arrivals: January 20, Lindus, s., at 5 a.m., from Adelaide; Indianopolis, s., at 8 a.m., from Melbourne.

KIAMA.—Arrival: January 20, Resolute at 6 p.m., from Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Departures: January 20, Illawarra, s., at 8.15 a.m., and Coomonderry, s., at 11.10 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: January 20, Kadina, s., at 9.55 a.m., Allowrie, s., at 1 p.m., and Tainan, s., at 3.15 p.m., all north; Federal, s., at 5.15 p.m., Peterborough, s., at 6.30 p.m.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: January 20, Peterborough, s., at 9.45 a.m., for Sydney.

BERMAGUI.—Arrival: January 20, Murray, s., at 6 p.m., from Tathra. Departures: January 20, Allowrie, s., at 5.30 a.m., for Sydney; Bega, s., at noon, for Tathra; Merlin, s., at 7.45 p.m., for Sydney.

MORUYA.—Departure: January 20, Murray, s., at 5.15 a.m., for Tathra. Passed: January 20, Federal, s., at noon, north.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: January 20, Ouraka, s., at 10.45 a.m., north.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: January 20, Port Melbourne, s., at 10 a.m., Scottish Hero, s., at 12.25 p.m., and Time, s., at 12.45 p.m., all west.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inwards: January 20, Brisbane, s., at 4.15 a.m.; Sunbeam, yacht, at 5.30 a.m.; Koonowarra, s., at 1.20 p.m.; Easby at 7.25 p.m. Passed outwards: January 20, Tyrian, s., at 6.25 a.m.; Industry, s., at 10.10 a.m.; a ship at 9.55 a.m.; Argyle, s., at noon; Norkoowa, at noon.

DEVONPORT (TAS.).—Arrivals: January 19, Eliza Davies, ketch, at 6.30 p.m., from Melbourne. January 20, Grafton, s., at 1 a.m., from Melbourne.

LOW HEAD (TAS.).—Arrival: January 20, Pateena, s., at 8.20 a.m., from Melbourne.

STRAHAN (TAS.).—Departure: January 19, Glengarry, schooner, at 5.50 p.m., for Melbourne.

(For Continuation of Shipping see Page 6.)

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 7 p.m.
Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.
Valparaiso, via Newcastle.—Speranza, 8 a.m.
Clyde River.—Allowrie, 9 a.m.
Forster and Tuncurry.—Express, 8 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Waroonga, 5.30 p.m.
Richmond River.—Electra, 7 p.m.
Macleay River.—Burrawong, 9 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Noumea and New Hebrides.—France, 10 a.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Monowai, noon.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, via Wellington.—Maori, noon.
Brisbane.—Tyrian, 1 p.m.
Launceston, via Eden.—Tekapo, 8 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.
Port Macquarie and Bellinger River.—Rosedale, 8 p.m.
Invercargill, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Rotokino, 9 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 9.30 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Grafton, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius, overland to Adelaide, and thence per Himalaya, 4.30 p.m.
R.M.S. Himalaya (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 39 years, 49·664.
Total rainfall from January 1, 1898, to January 20, 1·08.
Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. to-day, 29·64.
Temperature.—Maximum, 94·8; minimum, 64·8.
Humidity.—9 a.m., 70°; 3 p.m., 63°.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 29·85; Gascoigne, 29·84; Perth, 30·04; Esperance Bay, 29·12; Eucla, 29·05; Streaky Bay, 29·93; Adelaide, 29·88; Robe, 29·72; Portland, 29·61; Melbourne, 29·78; Wilson's Promontory, 29·51; Gabo Island, 29·48; Cape St. George, 29·59; Sydney, 29·65; Newcastle, 29·69; Port Macquarie, 29·78; Clarence Heads, 29·80; Brisbane, 29·82; Rockhampton, 29·70; Mackay, 29·78; Cooktown, 29·78.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M., BY MR. RUSSELL.

New South Wales.—Fine, clear, and warm generally.
Western Australia.—Generally fine and clear.
South Australia.—Fine and clear in the far north; elsewhere fine but cloudy.
Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy to showery generally.
Tasmania.—Cloudy generally; showery in extreme south.
Queensland.—Cloudy in the north; in the south fine generally.
Central and Northern Australia.—Cloudy and unsettled.
New Zealand.—Fine and clear generally.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS.

Victoria.—Light on the coast and at scattered places in the south-west and west.
Queensland.—Light to heavy on north-east coast and Peninsula.
Tasmania.—Light to heavy.
South Australia.—Very light in south and south-east, chiefly over ranges.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, N., strong, cloudy, sea moderate; Byron Bay, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Ballina, N.E., fine, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, N.E., fresh, hazy, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, N.E., strong, hazy, sea moderate; Manning Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, N.E., fresh, hazy, sea moderate; Port Stephens, N.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Newcastle, N.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Barranjoey, N.W., fresh, fine, sea smooth; South Head, W.S.W., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, S., strong, cloudy, sea rising; Kiama, S., strong, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, S., strong, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, S., strong gale, hazy, sea moderate; Ulladulla, S., strong, fine, sea rising; Bateman's Bay, F., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Moruya, S., fresh, dull, sea smooth; Eden, S.W., strong, cloudy, sea smooth; Green Cape, S.W., strong, cloudy, sea rising; Gabo Island, S.S.W., fresh, cloudy, gloomy, sea moderate.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—S.W. to S. winds, weather much cooler, showers probably on south coast.—H. C. Russell.
Western Australia.—Still fine and warm, with E. winds.—Cooke.
South Australia.—Fine, cool, partially cloudy, with moderate S.W. winds; fresh winds and squally on the south-east coast, but moderating.—C. Todd.
Victoria.—Cool weather, with south-westerly winds and some further showers in the south districts, especially coastal; squally on coast, with rough seas.—P. Baracchi.

SPECIAL AUSTRALASIAN FORECAST BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE.

New South Wales.—Fine but cloudy over the greater portion of the colony, under fairly high temperatures, but cooler conditions with rain, some thunderstorms, and strong winds will rapidly follow; rough seas south from Newcastle.
Western Australia.—Rain, chiefly in connection with electric disturbances, and strong winds north from the parallel of Carnarvon; in other parts fine to cloudy conditions, under fresh to strong S.E. to E.N.E. winds.
Northern Territory.—Monsoonal and cloudy weather, with rain; some electric disturbances, chiefly north from Tennant's Creek; rough seas off Port Darwin.
South Australia.—Fine in the north, cloudy with a tendency to showers and fresh winds in the south and south-east; rough seas.
Queensland.—High temperatures will be experienced in many districts. Rain in the coastal parts north from Mackay and over the peninsular with a tendency to electric disturbances. Strong winds and scattered rain of a showery nature between Burketown, Boulia, Eulo, Mitchell, Alice, and Hughenden. These conditions are likely shortly to affect the east and south-east. Sea moderate.
Victoria and Tasmania.—Cloudy to rainy under strong west to southerly winds; some thunderstorms over Victoria; rough seas.
New Zealand.—Becoming stormy under strong winds and rain, especially over the South Island; rough seas between the Bluff and Christchurch.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR JANUARY 21.

Sun rises at 5.8, sets at 7.6; Moon, 3.42 a.m., 5.58 p.m.; Mercury, 3.28 a.m., 5.30 p.m.; Venus, 4.36 a.m., 6.46 p.m.; Mars, 3.46 a.m., 6.6 p.m.; Jupiter, 10.22 p.m., 10.44 a.m.; Saturn, 1.28 a.m., 3.26 p.m.
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The Sydney Morning Herald.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1898.

The Federal Convention assembled at the Parliament House, Melbourne, yesterday at noon. The five colonies were represented, but numbers of delegates were absent. Mr. Kingston, President, occupied the chair.

Petitions were presented from 1653 electors of South Australia in favour of the adoption of the Hare system of voting; and from Dr. Andrew Ross, of New South Wales, asking that provision be made in the constitution to prevent the conferring of titles, and also to provide for impeachment in the case of corruption.

In the evening the delegates were entertained at a banquet in the Town Hall.

The newspaper organ of the Japanese Government reproaches Russia, Germany, and France for their selfishness with regard to China.

Japanese policy, it adds, is to avoid alliances, and to act vigorously if necessary.

The Berlin press declares that the opening of Talienwan Bay and Nanningfu to trade would infringe upon the Russian and French spheres of influence in China. Germany, the press adds, will continue to co-operate with those Powers.

Germany is urging the Austrian and Italian Governments to send men-of-war to China.

Lieutenant-General Kuropatkin, Governor of the Transcaspian Territory, has been appointed Russian Minister for War, in place of General Vannovsky.

The action brought by Mr. Cherry against Mr. Thomas Playford, Agent-General for South Australia, for wrongful dismissal, has resulted in a verdict for the defendant, with costs.

An attack has been made upon a German missionary at Nam Jung. The Chinese Government immediately offered redress.

The chargers belonging to Colonel Lassetter and used by him during the visit of the New South Wales Mounted Rifles to England, were sold at Tattersall's, London, on Wednesday, realising good prices.

On Wednesday, the Court of Appeal, London, gave its decision in the case of the Queensland National Bank v. the P. and O. Steamship Company.

This was an action in which the bank sought to recover from the company damages for the loss of the gold stolen in transit from Sydney from the R.M.S. Oceana.

The Court dismissed the defendants' appeal.

It has been intimated by the Employers' Federation in England that it will reopen the negotiations with the representatives of the engineers if the allied unions accept the conditions as to management submitted by the employers' representatives to the last conference.

As the wooden ketch Active was attempting to make the port of Newcastle on Wednesday night she foundered on the Oyster Bank, and became a total wreck. The members of the crew took to the boat, and safely reached Newcastle early yesterday morning.

Mr. Coghlan estimates the population of New South Wales on December 31, 1897, at 1,323,460, of whom 709,360 were males.

As the express from Melbourne was travelling at the rate of about 50 miles an hour on Wednesday evening, a few miles from Picton, it ran over a railway tricycle, killing its driver, a ganger named John Brennan.

A stranger named Thomas Conolly was run over yesterday by a passenger train near Barber's Creek, Goulburn district, sustaining very serious injuries. Both his arms were broken, and his head and right thigh were badly cut.

The balloting for settlement leases and homestead selections, for which applications were lodged at the Dubbo Land Office on the 6th instant, took place yesterday at Dubbo. A list of the successful applicants will be found elsewhere.

As Miss Eliza Devine, daughter of a farmer at Cooper's Creek, Lismore district, was riding into Bexhill on Wednesday with her aunt, Mrs. Annie London, a visitor to the locality, the horse Mrs. London was riding became frightened when fording the creek, and pushed the second horse into deep water.

Miss Devine swam ashore, but seeing her aunt in difficulties, heroically plunged in to her assistance. Both ladies were drowned.

From latest information to hand from various important wheat centres of the Glen Innes district, it is concluded that the wheat crop is practically a failure.

At the Victoria Barracks yesterday morning Major-General French made the presentation of silver medals to those warrant-officers and men of the Permanent Forces who had gained the distinction.

The ceremony took place in the presence of all the available men of the Permanent Forces.

At the Sydney wool sales yesterday 6607 bales were catalogued, and 5931 sold. The demand from the large attendance of buyers was well distributed, and as keen as on any day this season, the bidding rising at times to a most excited pitch.

Business in investments in the Stock and Share market yesterday was far from active, and movements in prices were only slight. New South Wales 4 per cent. Funded Stock continued to move off at 109½—a quotation more favourable to the investor than the issue price of the 3 per cent. stock.

Rather less activity prevailed yesterday in the Import market, wholesale transactions being of less magnitude. The country trade, however, continued brisk, in some departments especially so.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 726 bales of wool were manifested, 464 bales arrived coastwise, and 611 were received by rail at Newcastle on Wednesday.

The Mining market yesterday was dull, and there were no changes of importance. At the close of the day Western Australian gold stocks were generally weaker.

Yesterday's customs revenue amounted to £4199.

At the London wool sales on Wednesday there was a spirited sale, with a general hardening in price.

The M.M.S.S. Caledonian left Colombo, outwards, on the 19th instant.

AN IMMENSE CLAIM.

LONDON.—An optician of high repute claims to have successfully measured the sight and supplied spectacles to over 50,000 clients. The optician is Mr. Barraclough, 371 George-street.—Advt.

It is apparent from the news we have supplied in anticipation of the opening of the Convention that when that body gets fairly to work it will find a multitude of proposals, new and old, awaiting its deliberations. Suggestions which have been set aside or rejected in former sittings will come up again unashamed, and will be elbowed by new fantasticalities determined not to miss their last opportunity. The Hare system of proportionate voting, female suffrage, the control of inter-state rivers, the consolidation of State debts, and many others will all be forced by their advocates upon the attention of the Convention. But whatever may be thought to be the measure of importance of such issues as these, they are obviously but side issues, and are in no way essential to the framing of a constitution. They may all be left over for a time of future adjustment, which it is to be hoped will not be found necessary for a long while. The real sources of difficulty cannot be pushed in this way into the background. They must be dealt with in some acceptable way or there can be no Constitution at all. These questions of difficulty now are the same as those which have held this position from the first. They are the question of State rights, with the attendant question of the constitution and powers of the two Houses, and the question of finance. The one raises a difficulty of principle, the other one of practical adjustment. The financial difficulty has never yet been fairly dealt with, and has rather been evaded than grappled with. The Convention has hitherto felt itself, and will probably still feel itself, helpless and unprepared to deal in any thorough way with this problem. It is one the data of which cannot be known till the federal tariff, which must necessarily cause vast commercial changes of a kind it is impossible to forecast, has been some years in operation. All that the case admits of now is the adoption of some elastic provisional method, leaving the final determination of the matter to the Federal Parliament. The indications supplied by the past go to show that the Convention will be happy in this way to relieve itself of the difficulty by passing on the responsibility.

The constitutional problem of harmonising full security for State rights with full powers of self-government by the Australian people cannot be dealt with in this fashion. It cannot be evaded, or pushed aside, or handed over to any other authority. It must be settled by the Convention, the terms of settlement must be embodied in the Constitution, and the final decision has now to be reached. That the question must assume widely different aspects as it is viewed from the standpoint of a large or of a small State is natural and inevitable. This is part of the conditions inescapably attending on the work of federation. It remains the case that the Convention has to confront these conditions in a way which we may reasonably call unfair. There are two so-called large colonies and three smaller ones represented in the Convention. One of these is represented by some delegates of so liberal, and we may say so democratic, a temper, delegates so deeply pledged to the principle of self-government by the people, that there would perhaps be little or no difficulty in the two larger colonies coming at once to satisfactory terms with this third colony and forming with it a federal union. One of the two others is an island. It is the smallest and least important colony of the group, and the integrity of the federation would not be impaired were it to determine on standing out. Yet several of its delegates put forward the State rights demand in its most extreme form, and add greatly to the difficulty of coming to an agreement. Finally, the remaining colony, that of Western Australia, also insists on putting the States Rights principle in exaggerated terms, and does so though its delegates make no secret of their belief that their colony has no present intention of joining the federation. There is, as we have said, something of unfairness in the Convention finding itself compelled to modify the constitution to suit the demands of representatives of a State which may not decide to become a part of the union for the present, and of another State which, whether it desires to join or not, is by no means essential to the complete federation of Australia. But whether these particular difficulties are fair or unfair, they are at any rate part of the case with which the Convention has to deal, and from which it has to bring out by means of firm persistency and prudent concession the desired result.

Whatever happens, we are entitled to look with confidence to this session of the Convention to give us the Constitution of the Australian Commonwealth. There can be no more postponements or adjournments. Too much has been achieved to allow of any talk of "packing up the portmanteaus" and leaving the work unfinished. The constitution must be completed before the Convention can dissolve. When it is completed it must be viewed as the constitution of the federation of Australia. It will be the work of the delegates of the Australian people, chosen by the electors themselves, and entrusted with the mandate of executing the work. When it is done the work of the Convention will be accomplished and it will dissolve. The responsibility will then rest with the people. They will have in their hands the work of the men whom they trusted with the task, and it will be for them to determine what they will do with it. It will be idle to talk of any other constitution. The presumption is that if the road were travelled over by another Convention the identically same goal would be reached. The question will be federation on this basis or the retention of the status of separate and possibly semi-hostile States. It is known that some persons desire that we should remain in this position. This feeling is largely represented among the political class in several of the colonies, and in none more strongly than in New South Wales. Every attempt has been made here to baffle and defeat the movement. The politicians have succeeded at the cost of a grave breach of faith with the other colonies in attaching a hampering condition to the referendum. Some of them have declared their readiness, in the event of the people voting for acceptance, to disregard the vote, and to refuse to take the steps necessary to give effect to it. In a neighbouring colony attempts are being made to prevent or obstruct federation in the interest of provincial protection. These are some of the difficulties by which the future progress of the work is beset. As we have said, the result will rest with the people. If the people are as determined on the side of Australian union as the federal voting of last year seemed to show them to be these difficulties will have no more effect on the march of union than if they were gossamers, and the utmost opposition of its enemies will not be able to prevent the long labour from being crowned with success.

Some commotion has been caused by the decision of the trustees of the Savings Bank not to pay any interest on deposits from charitable institutions and friendly societies where the amount is more than a thousand pounds. That the trustees are acting within their rights is beyond question. It may be urged that they have given too short notice of the change in their administration of the bank, and that they have not allowed a fair opportunity to the societies to find investments elsewhere. But this is a matter of detail that does not affect the principles by which the managers of the Savings Bank are guided. In the discussion of the subject it is advisable to discard side issues as far as possible in order that the exact financial relations between the Savings Bank and the friendly societies and charitable institutions may be fairly stated. According to Sir George Dibbs, the Bank has been paying too high a rate of interest on large deposits that have been made by "wealthy institutions." It seems that while the trustees have been advancing the bulk of their money to the Government at the rate of three per cent. they have been paying their customers an interest of three and a half per cent. It must be admitted that this is not a profitable way of transacting business. In these circumstances the trustees seem to have argued—and there is much justice in their reasoning—that the large accounts should be discouraged. It is the business of a savings bank to assist small depositors, and to find for them a rate of interest which would not be given by the ordinary banking institutions. As a matter of fact the banks would never take the trouble to keep their small accounts on the score of the labour and expense that these involve. And at this point come in the true idea and the real usefulness of savings banks, in which the small depositor is encouraged and receives interest on the money that he entrusts to these institutions. It has not been the intention to accept large sums and pay a higher rate for them than can be obtained in the outside market. Such, leaving unnoticed for the time the contention that the sudden withdrawal of large amounts in a time of difficulty might have a disastrous effect upon the bank, appears to be the argument of the trustees.

On the other side it is urged by the friendly societies that they cannot be described as "wealthy institutions," that their money represents the savings of thousands of poor people, who pay their levies for the sake of obtaining the benefits that the societies offer, and that they are therefore entitled to consideration. This is a view that requires to be noticed. The friendly societies are not wealthy in the sense in which the term is naturally used. A wealthy institution is a trading corporation, or a mining company, or an association in any form of industry that is paying dividends, and that has capital behind it to meet any temporary losses, and that can call up money to extend its operations. It is rather unfair to speak of the friendly societies as being rich in this sense. The sums that they control are certainly large, but they are the aggregate of many small amounts, and in some cases they may be none too great to meet the annual contingencies for which the friendly societies provide. The deposits may represent a large amount, but a steady interest upon them is required to ensure the safe working of the societies. Then, again, it is said that the change made by the trustees of the Savings Bank will affect a greater number of societies than the half-dozen referred to by Sir George Dibbs. This, however, is a matter of detail which may for the present be set aside. The question is whether the funds of the friendly societies are entitled to claim any special advantage, on the ground that they are the custodians of innumerable small sums of money which they have received from their members. Some encouragement is given to those who make small savings. Is a similar encouragement to be given to societies which make large deposits in the Savings Bank? Are we to deal with the society or the individuals who form its membership?

To answer this question we have to look at the conditions under which investment is possible. The Savings Bank, as well as the friendly societies, has but a limited scope. As Sir George Dibbs admitted, a large part of the money had been advanced to the Government at the ordinary market rate. We may, therefore, infer that the trustees of the Savings Bank, under the limitations to which they are subject, find a difficulty in so investing their money as to earn the rate of interest which the societies expect. From the banking point of view, a large deposit, no matter by what small sums it may have been created, is simply one account, on which they have to pay the interest. They have nothing to do with the individuals who have contributed and who look to their own officials for the proper conduct of their business. The question is simply whether a Savings Bank which has many clients whom it desires to encourage can afford to take large deposits from the officials of other institutions. When the matter is put in this way it is evident that the managers of the bank are entitled to use their discretion. On the other hand, it must be admitted that under the law the friendly societies are so much debarred from outside investment that practically nothing is left for them but Government securities. It would seem, therefore, that the Government, which is always a borrower, should give them an opportunity. The outcome of the present trouble may be that the friendly societies, instead of dealing with a bank that makes advances to the Government, will transact their business directly with the Government on every issue of debentures. The State always requires money, and here are trust funds accumulating to such an extent that it is almost impossible to discover investments for them. Why should they not be used for loans? the securities being of course negotiable. The objection that the friendly societies might raise to this policy would be that they must accept the Government rate of interest. But every trustee has to do this if he takes up Government securities. The difference to the friendly societies would mean that they might be compelled to reduce their expenditure and to economise in every possible way in order to make up for the diminished interest. This, however, has been the painful task of every institution during recent years. At any rate little is to be gained by recrimination. It is apparently necessary to find a better and more suitable method of investment.

The interesting and intelligent account supplied by Captain Martenson in our columns yesterday of his observations in the Russian port of Vladivostock helps to afford additional reasons to those we have before cited why Australian traders and shippers should keep their eyes open to the opportunities possibly afforded them by the great changes now in progress in the Far East. With the construction of the Trans-Siberian railway and the work of settlement and development proceeding in Southern Siberia, results are maturing which must find their point of output at Russian ports existing or to be formed in the northern part of the China Sea. For all the production and consumption of this vast and progressive region which does not find its markets in European Russia the ports of export and import must be in the Far East of Asia, within four weeks' steaming from Australia. These great commercial developments cannot be matters of indifference to these colonies. There may be reason for watching with a jealous and distrustful eye the political manœuvres of Russia on the China Sea. But with respect to her industrial and trading activity in these regions the only question for Australia is in what way she can secure a share in the trade opportunities which are presented. For a long time the trade of Russia in these parts will be as Captain Martenson found it, confined to importation. As much of the importation is of food-stuffs, Australia ought to be able to secure a share in furnishing the supplies. The time will come when the town of Vladivostock will desire to exchange its rather primitive conditions for those of up-to-date civilisation, and we ought to be able to furnish much of the material necessary for effecting these changes. In any case there is good reason why all the developments in progress should be kept in view to ascertain how far they may mean new markets for Australia not far away.

The German Government not only attempts to find fresh outlets for trade by the help of the mailed hand, but it is endeavouring to control the conditions of industry in its own country. It is proposed to pass a stringent law for preventing the abuses of trade-unionism. A circular was accordingly sent to the Federal Governments, intended doubtless to discover how far they would be prepared to go in such a course of repressive legislation. In some way the Socialists got hold of the interesting circular, and published it for the benefit of the working classes. The authorities are naturally angry. The premature publication of the scheme may entirely ruin its effect, and rouse an opposition that may prevent the proposed law from ever being passed. But one would think that even a Prussian statesman, who may believe in his heart that the people have no rights, would begin to ask himself whether repressive measures have had any great or salutary effect. For twenty years laws of a severe type have been promulgated against the Socialists, but the Socialists have steadily increased in numbers, and they have regularly gained at the elections, until they form one of the strongest parties in Parliament. There are probably thousands of voters who have no strong faith in Socialist theories, but who are driven to that side by the policy of the Government. Is there likely to be any other result if harassing laws are directed against the trade-unions in what is now more a manufacturing than an agricultural country? It may be said that the English system of refusing to take part in industrial disputes except to keep order and preserve the public peace is costly and illogical; that it leads to prolonged strikes which interfere with the ordinary course of business. Every thinking man in England and the colonies has but one opinion on the subject. But, then, it is hoped that the remedy will come naturally from the experience of the past, and need not be imposed by any arbitrary authority.

THE NEW CALEDONIA CABLE.—The Postmaster-General yesterday received the following from the Cable Company's office at Bundaberg, Queensland:—"Cable communication with New Caledonia was restored to-day at 3.25 p.m."

RETURN OF THE GOVERNOR.—His Excellency Lord Hampden will return from his visit to New Zealand and Melbourne by express train tomorrow morning.

THE ADMIRAL.—A visit was yesterday paid to his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief by Mr. E. M. Paul, the Russian Consul, who was received with the usual salute.

VISIT OF MR. T. LEWIS.—Mr. T. Lewis, a brother of the late Sir Charles Edward Lewis, is at present on a visit to Sydney, and is staying at the Hotel Metropole. He has been spending a few weeks in New Zealand, and arrived from that colony by the Monowai on Wednesday. Mr. Lewis is a figure of some interest in colonial history, he having been in Melbourne in the stirring days of the "fifties." He has recollections of the Southern city dating 45 years back. Though he has kept himself acquainted with colonial affairs, Mr. Lewis speaks with natural astonishment of the marvellous progress made by the Australian cities during the past 40 years. Though at one time connected with departmental affairs, Mr. Lewis has for some time ceased to take an active part in public life. He returns to England by the Himalaya.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.—At the meeting of the Public Works Committee yesterday, further consideration was given to the proposal to construct a railway from the terminus of the Rosehill railway to Dural. Mr. Humphery occupied the chair in the absence of Mr. T. T. Ewing, who, with Mr. Henry Deane, was engaged in an inquiry into the prospects of a tramline between Camden and Campbelltown. The committee were occupied during the afternoon in hearing the evidence of Mr. James Purser, of Castle Hill, Mr. W. Black, of Glenorie, and Mr. John Purser, of Carlingford. The three witnesses, each of whom is engaged in the fruitgrowing business, agreed substantially that the district was excellently adapted for fruit growing, and that if the railway were constructed production would be increased. It might for a time interfere somewhat with the traffic on the Great Northern railway, but in the end the increase of production would be so great that the railway system as a whole would not suffer.

THE FREETRADE PARTY AND THE FORTHCOMING GENERAL ELECTION.—The protectionist party is in evidence just now preparing for the forthcoming campaign, but so far there has been no activity observable on behalf of the freetrade party. Some inquiries which were made yesterday tended to show that this was not due to any oversight or any want of agreement on the part of the leaders of the party, who prefer to rest on their oars for the time being. Preparations for a campaign are invariably left to the Freetrade Council, and it is said that the conviction prevails to a considerable extent that it would simply lead to a waste of energy if they called their forces into action so long a period in advance of the event, which it is thought will not take place for the next five or six months. The freetrade leaders are confident of victory, because they know, they say, that the vast majority of the people are sound upon the fiscal question. It is said that two months will be ample within which to organise, and that a great deal more will be accomplished by concentrating the energies and the enthusiasm of the electors within that period than if they were to prolong the preparations connected with the election over a period of six months. They propose that their army shall come with a rush just at the precise moment, when it will be most vigorous, and when it will be most capable of rendering acceptable service. To enter upon the campaign at the present moment would be premature, because it would not be possible now to foresee the best method of making the attack. It will be quite time enough for the party to enter the field, it is said, when the Premier has indicated more precisely than he has at present what form the reform of the Upper House is to assume, and how the plebiscite on the fiscal question is to be taken. So soon as the Premier has made his deliverance upon those and other points the freetrade party will be ready to take the field.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE.—In a supplement to the "Government Gazette," issued yesterday, it is notified that the Public Service Board has placed Messrs. J. Ferguson, overseer, and W. Butler, overseer, on the permanent staff, and that both gentlemen will be classified in the general division of the service.

DEPARTURE OF THE LIZARD.—A number of people yesterday morning assembled in the vicinity of Man-of-War Stairs, the occasion being the departure of the cruiser Lizard for England. The Lizard was expected to get away at 11 a.m., but it was half an hour later before the order was given to unshackle, and the smart little cruiser shaped a course through the fleet amidst vociferous cheering from comrades and waving of handkerchiefs from friends on shore. The Lizard, after clearing the Heads, will shape a course for Albany, where she will wait for the arrival of the relieving ship Ringdove at Thursday Island, when she will take her final leave of Australia.

MAILS AND MAIL STEAMERS.—The mails by the Lusitania, dated London the 17th ultimo, will be delivered in the city to-day. The departure of the Koenigin Luise from Melbourne has been altered from February 1 to February 2. The steamer will be floated to-day into the Sutherland dock. The Caledonian, from Marseilles on the 2nd instant, left Colombo at 7 a.m. on the 19th instant.

DEEP SEA FISHING.—The Colonial Secretary has come to the conclusion that it would be desirable to utilise, if possible, the knowledge and experience Mr. Frank Farnell, M.L.A., has gained in connection with the fisheries of the colony, not only by association with fishermen, but also as president of the Royal Commission on Fisheries, and having made an intimation to that effect to Mr. Farnell, that gentleman said he was willing to place his services at the disposal of the Government in any way that would tend to the development of the fisheries of the colony. Mr. Brunker then intimated that it was desired that Mr. Farnell should undertake the responsibility of supervising the trawling operations which Captain Neilson was about to carry out, and Mr. Farnell consenting, he was commissioned to do the work. No remuneration is to be paid for this service. Captain Neilson's equipment will include three trawling nets made on the otter principle, and he will commence operations in the course of a few days.

ALLOWANCE TO THE MAYOR OF REDFERN.—At a meeting of the Redfern Council held last evening, Alderman Poole moved,—"That the Mayoral allowance for the ensuing year be £150." He said the question had on several occasions been submitted to the ratepayers. The latest reply from the ratepayers was the fixing of the maximum amount at £150. He took it for granted that that decision meant fixing the minimum at that amount also, and, considering the many calls that the occupant of the chair had upon his purse, he thought the allowance of £150 was but a fair sum. The motion was seconded by Alderman Davis and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION TO MISS HALL.—At Miss Elsie Hall's concert at Toowoomba, Queensland, on the 13th instant, the hall was literally packed, notwithstanding the rain, which had been continuous for several days, and the muddy condition of the streets. One of the features of the evening was the presentation of an illuminated address to Miss Hall from natives of Toowoomba. The address, which is now on view at the music warehouse of Messrs. W. H. Paling and Co., Limited, George-street, was illuminated by Mrs. Dann, of Toowoomba. Arched over the top are cornflowers and marguerites, and directly under their centre is a bar of music from the "Hallelujah Chorus." Sweeping round the lower edge are two golden sprays of laurel, with a representation of an ancient scroll of musical notation and several antique musical instruments, including the original form of piano.

ABORIGINES' PROTECTION BOARD.—The weekly meeting of this board was held yesterday, when there were present—Mr. Edmund Fosbery (chairman), Hon. R. H. D. White, M.L.C., Hon. W. H. Suttor, M.L.C., Mr. J. M. Chanter, M.L.A., Mr. John See, M.L.A., Mr. U. W. Carpenter, Mr. G. E. Ardill, and Mr. A. Berckelman (secretary). Authority was granted for the purchase of clothing for 19 children attending school at Forster, and for the issue of the usual ration supplies to two sick aborigines and their five children at Wardell, a destitute aboriginal woman and her children at Bundarra, and three very old and infirm aborigines at Lismore and Woodenbong. Applications by the local board, Cumeroogunga, for 200 ration sheep, by the police at Kempsey for material to enable an aboriginal to build a dwelling for himself and family in place of one recently burnt down, and by the Singleton police for a plough for use by the aborigines cultivating the St. Clair Reserve, were also approved. The monthly report on the Murray River aboriginal station, where 193 aborigines are in residence, showed that most of the able-bodied men had obtained outside employment, and that 40 tons of hay and 95 bags of wheat had been secured as the result of the cultivation of a portion of the reserve. Mr. J. M. Chanter, M.L.A., who recently visited this station, reported that everything in connection therewith was in a very satisfactory condition.

THE AUSTRALIAN MEAT EXPORT ASSOCIATION.—The adjourned meeting of this association was held at the office of the "Australasian Pastoralists' Review" yesterday at 2.30 p.m., and was again adjourned until Thursday, February 3, at 2.30 p.m., to give time to the London committee to reply to proposals forwarded to them on December 14, 1897.

A FIRE STATION FOR REDFERN.—At last night's meeting of the Redfern Council a letter was received from Alderman Taylor, municipal representative on the Fire Brigades Board, in reply to the communication of the council, calling attention to the fact that the borough of Redfern has no fire station in its midst. Mr. Taylor's reply was that the Fire Brigades Board is only waiting to obtain possession of the old police court at Redfern which is still used by the Government as a courthouse, when it will be immediately equipped as a thoroughly up-to-date fire station.

THE ACCIDENT TO MR. TEDBAR JOHNSON.—Mr. James W. Johnson writes stating that the manner in which the lift accident occurred to his son was as follows:—Mr. Tedbar Johnson, who is quite familiar with the working of the lift and is in the habit of constantly going up and down in it, arrived on the basement, and saw the boy in charge of the lift standing close by talking to a gentleman. He, as was his custom, did not hesitate to get into the lift and take himself up. It is known that he arrived on the landing where he intended to get out, and left a parcel there. Then it is supposed that, finding he had not completely stopped the lift ascending, after putting down the parcel he leaned forward on the floor of the lift as it ascended and tried to reach the wire rope to stop it; but, before he could do so, he became jammed between the floor of the lift and the top of the door on the landing. It was at this critical stage that he was heard to call out to lower the lift, and the boy at the bottom heard him and caused the lift to descend about 2ft., which released Mr. Johnson, who then must have fallen to the bottom of the shaft, a distance 30ft. The lad in charge of the lift, William Lathrope, is in no way whatever to blame, for he was at his post. He was only slightly hurt, and will be at his work on Friday. The Sydney Hospital authorities reported last night that Mr. Johnson was progressing favourably. In a few days he will be able to leave the institution.

A FATAL FALL.—Mr. John Gadd, an elderly resident of Petersham, died in Prince Alfred Hospital during Wednesday night. It is stated that deceased succumbed to injuries resulting from a fall from the balcony of his residence on Monday last.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH.—The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore, J.P.), held a magisterial inquiry at the South Sydney Morgue yesterday, touching the death of David Walker, 23, who lately resided in John-street, Pyrmont. According to the evidence, deceased, who was a marine fireman, was mounting the steps between Mount and Miller streets, Pyrmont, when he fell over the handrail to the kerbstone below, a distance of about 30ft. Death was instantaneous, the man's skull being extensively fractured. A finding of accidental death was recorded.

FIRE AT ARNCLIFFE.—The Rockdale and Kogarah fire brigades received calls to a fire in a weatherboard cottage, occupied by Mrs. Owen Laycock, at the corner of Wickham-street and West Botany-road, Arncliffe, early yesterday morning. Upon arrival, the firemen found that the flames had spread rapidly, and, despite their efforts, the building was almost completely destroyed. The origin of the outbreak is unknown. The premises, which are the property of Mrs. Murphy, were insured in the Australian Mutual Office for £175, and the contents were covered by £60 by the Royal Insurance Company.

MR. REID AND MELBOURNE JOURNALISTS.—"Bluffing the reporters" is cultivated as an art by Ministers of the Crown (says the Melbourne "Argus"), and the New South Wales Premier is an adept. As chairman of the Federal Finance Committee it is his duty to tell pressmen as little as he can, and he does so with an urbanity and completeness which leaves nothing to be desired—except the information for which the reporter yearns. "Well, gentlemen," is Mr. Reid's usual style of address, "we sat to-day from 12 till 5, and we'll sit to-morrow, and the rest is unfit for publication." One over-anxious scribe yesterday attempted to extract something more. "Can you tell us, Mr. Reid," he said, "Whether you see your way out?" "Yes," replied the New South Wales Premier, as he made a rush for the staircase, "I think I do."

His Excellency Admiral Pearson has honoured Mr. Blow, of the Crown Studios, with the first call to Admiralty House, and the results are very good indeed. The new Admiral is posed looking across at the Royal Arthur, as if carefully watching something of interest. The white uniform, which is always a source of trouble to the photographer, has in this case been brought out with good effect, and the pictures reflect credit on Mr. Blow.

Mr. R. R. P. Hickson, Under-Secretary for Works, called on the Admiral on Tuesday last.

A meeting of officers of the Public Works Department, presided over by the Under-Secretary (Mr. R. R. P. Hickson), was held on Wednesday, when a committee was appointed to take steps with a view to the erection of a memorial to the late Mr. E. B. Price, assistant engineer of the Works Department.

The Saturday afternoon excursion to the Hawkesbury River to-morrow will be made by the Newcastle from Market-street Wharf at 2 o'clock, reaching Sydney on return about 7 o'clock.

The usual week-end excursion trips to the Hawkesbury River by rail, connecting with the steamer General Gordon, take place to-morrow and on Sunday. Trains leave Sydney at 9 a.m. and Milson's Point at 8.55 a.m. on both days.

A meeting of the executive of the Darlington Freetrade and Liberal Association was held at the committee-rooms, Abercrombie-street, last evening. Mr. T. Clarke (president) occupied the chair. The business of the meeting was to take into consideration the course to be pursued in connection with the next general election. After discussion it was decided to call a special meeting by advertisement in the daily press. The secretary stated that the association was in a very good condition, and he expected there would be a large increase of members shortly. The prospect of a freetrader being returned at the next election was discussed, and it was decided to suggest to the special meeting that every effort should be made to arrange that one freetrader only should contest the seat.

The monthly meeting of the North Sydney School of Arts committee was held in the boardroom on Wednesday, the 19th instant. The annual meeting was fixed for February 14 next.

Messrs. Gordon and Gotch introduce a novel and rather an attractive form of calendar, which is burned upon a porcelain paperweight.

The School of Arts Debating Club held its weekly meeting last night, the president (Dr. Muskett) being in the chair. The lecture hall was crowded with members and visitors. It was resolved that the time of commencing be altered from 7.30 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. The premier opened the discussion of the question—"That the Mayor of the City of Sydney should be elected by the people." He was followed by Messrs. W. E. Waldon, M. J. Wilson, P. Ferns, T. W. Melville, D. Cowan, Smith, Meaney, R. Cowan, Hattersley, and Miss Golding. The premier having replied the motion was submitted to the meeting and carried.

It has been decided by friends of Mr. Kelso King to tender him a banquet on the eve of his visit to England. Those desiring to co-operate are requested by advertisement to attend a meeting at 173 Pitt-street at 4 p.m. to-day.

In another column Mr. Arthur Griffith, patent agent, 41 Castlereagh-street, advertises to the effect that Mr. T. C. Allen, consulting mechanical engineer, has joined him as partner. Mr. Allen will control the engineering branch of the business, and advise and assist clients free of charge.

The tenth annual meeting of Court Perseverance, No. 7641, A.O.F., was held on Monday evening last in the Congregational Schoolroom, corner of Devonshire and Riley streets, Surry Hills, the chief ranger, Bro. G. Nixon, presiding. The secretary, Bro. W. J. Hope, read the balance-sheet, which showed that the credit balance for the year was £37 15s 5½d, and that the total value of funds was £394 1s 4d. The following officers were elected for the ensuing half-year:—Chief ranger, Bro. F. Robinson; sub-chief, Bro. J. Parkes; woodwards, Bros. H. Fleming, T. Bingle; beadles, Bros. D. Patrick, C. Silvester; treasurer, Bro. J. Spencer; secretary, Bro. W. J. Hope; assistant secretary, Bro. S. Martin; auditors, Bros. F. Grogan and J. Parkes; medical officer, Dr. H. L. Maitland; chemist, S.U.F.S. Dispensary.

The new incumbent of St. George's, Glenmore-road, the Rev. E. Owen, B.A., was instituted and inducted to the charge of this parish on Wednesday evening by Archdeacon Gunther, on the authority of the Commissary. The Archdeacon used the special service for the occasion, and addressed the congregation on various aspects of Church teaching suggested by the occasion.

The Rev. F. S. Wigfield, who is to assist in the work in connection with St. Andrew's Cathedral, arrived in Sydney a few days ago, and has taken up work in the diocese. Mr. Wigfield comes here on the recommendation of the Primate, who selected him in England for the position of assistant in the metropolitan area. He is a north countryman, and prior to his present appointment was engaged in work at Birkenhead.

The monthly executive meeting of the Christian Endeavour Union was held at the Centenary Hall last night. The Rev. W. Woolls Rutledge found it necessary to resign his position as president, and Mr. H. S. Austin was elected in his stead. Other appointments were made of press superintendent and junior superintendent, and other routine business was gone through. The meeting closed with the Mizpah Benediction.

Brigadier Hoskin, of the Salvation Army, and the head of the army's "forces" in New Zealand, was a passenger by the Monowai, which arrived from New Zealand on Wednesday. He will conduct a few services in Sydney, and will visit Melbourne before returning home.

Mr. John H. Clayton writes to say that in the report of his speech at the Municipal Association meeting he has been misunderstood. Mr. Clayton tells us that what he did say was that "Mr. Reid was not only setting the municipalities at defiance, but was also setting both Houses of Parliament at defiance; that our Parliamentary representatives had voted for the bill desiring to see the municipalities obtain the grant and knowing that the money had been unconditionally promised, and that Mr. Reid was now acting against the expressed wish of Parliament."

A letter bearing testimony to the effect of the "Hagey Cure" for alcoholism appears in our advertising columns.

A carrier named John William Horswill, who resides in Mitchell-street, Glebe, was kicked on the face yesterday by a horse which is owned by M'Ewan and Co., carriers. Horswill was grooming the animal at the time. He was taken to Prince Alfred Hospital, where it was found that he had received severe injuries to his face.

A married woman named Margaret Simpson died suddenly yesterday afternoon, at a house in Francis-street, Glebe, where she resided. It appears that up to within a few minutes of her death the deceased was in an ordinary state of health.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE SOUDAN.

RAILWAY ROUTE FROM KASSALA TO SUAKIM.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The "Times" correspondent in the Soudan rode on camelback from Kassala to Suakim. He recommends the construction of a railway by this route as being easier than the Berber-Suakim route, while the line would in addition cross profitable country.

THE INDIAN FRONTIER.

A SUCCESSFUL EXPEDITION.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The force under the command of General Sir Bindon Blood, which was despatched to subjugate the Bonerwal tribesmen, is returning to India, the expedition having been completely successful.

THE RUSSIAN MINISTER FOR WAR.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

Lieutenant-General Kuropatkin, Governor of the Transcaspian Territory, has been appointed Minister for War in the place of General Vannovsky.

Lieutenant-General Kuropatkin was attached to the staff of General Skobeloff during the Russo-Turkish war. For some time past he has been Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the troops in the Transcaspian Territory, Central Asia.

GERMANY AND CHINA.

ATTACK ON A MISSIONARY.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

An attack having been made upon a German missionary at Nam Jung, the Chinese Government immediately offered redress.

THE TRANSVAAL.

THE EXILING OF MR. LIONEL PHILLIPS.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

In reference to the action of the Transvaal Government in exiling Mr. Lionel Phillips for having broken the conditions of his release by discussing Transvaal politics in an article contributed by him to the "Nineteenth Century," Mr. Phillips explains that he gave a promise not to intervene in the politics of the Transvaal, but that he did not pledge himself to refrain from discussing Transvaal affairs.

ACTION AGAINST AN AGENT-GENERAL.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

The action brought by Mr. Cherry against Mr. Thomas Playford, the Agent-General for South Australia, for wrongful dismissal was concluded to-day. The jury returned a verdict for defendant, with costs.

THE OCEANA GOLD ROBBERY.

ACTION AGAINST THE P. AND O. COMPANY.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

The Court of Appeal gave its decision to-day in the case of the Queensland National Bank v. the P. and O. Steamship Company. It was an action in which the bank sought to recover from the steamship company damages for the loss of the gold (£5000) stolen in transit from Sydney from the R.M.S. Oceana.

The Court dismissed the defendants' appeal.

LABOUR TROUBLES IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The Employers' Federation has intimated that it will re-open the negotiations with the representatives of the engineers if the allied unions accept the conditions as to management submitted by the employers' representatives to the last conference.

COLONEL LASSETTER'S HORSES.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

The chargers belonging to Colonel Lassetter, and used by him during the visit of the New South Wales Mounted Rifles to England, were sold to-day at Tattersalls, and realised good prices. Apollo was knocked down for 110 guineas, and Coorna for 61 guineas. His three hunters, purchased from the Mounted Rifles, brought a total of 177 guineas.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

PRICES HARDENING.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

At the colonial wool sales this evening there was a spirited sale, with a general hardening in prices.

Jan. 20.

The following rates were obtained at the wool sales:—Deepwater scoured, 11½d; Wellshot, 15½d; Toorak, 15d; Cooyapooya, 6½d; Kaiwarra, 8½d.

Merinos are fully 5 per cent. above the December closing rates.

THE ENGLISH CRICKETERS.

RESULT OF THE THIRD TEST MATCH.

COMMENT BY THE "STANDARD."

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The "Standard" in commenting upon the result of the third test match at Adelaide says that such an overwhelming defeat of Stoddart's team was not expected. The play of the Englishmen was disappointing throughout.

NO MORE BURDENSOME TAXES.
You will find them light after the cheering effect of a packet of Ogden's Guinea Gold Cigarettes.—Advt.

THE FAR EAST.

POLICY OF JAPAN.

PREPARED FOR VIGOROUS ACTION.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

The newspaper organ of the Japanese Government reproaches Russia, Germany, and France for their selfishness in regard to China. Japan's policy, it adds, is to avoid alliances, and to act vigorously if necessary.

THE ATTITUDE OF GERMANY.

CO-OPERATION WITH RUSSIA AND FRANCE.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

The Berlin press declares that the opening of Talienwan Bay and Nanning-fu to trade would infringe upon the Russian and French spheres of influence in China. Germany, it adds, will continue to co-operate with those Powers.

Germany is urging the Austrian and Italian Governments to send men-of-war to China.

BRITISH POLICY.

APPROVED BY AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The American newspapers strongly approve of the recent speech of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in regard to the British policy in the Far East.

A RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP FOR PORT ARTHUR.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The Russian battleship Sessoiveliki has been despatched to the Far East to reinforce the Russian squadron at Port Arthur.

RUSSIA AND MANCHURIA.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

It is reported that Russia desires to secure the entire province of Manchuria.

IMPERIAL POLITICS.

SPEECH BY SIR MICHAEL HICKS-BEACH.

THE INDIAN FRONTIER CAMPAIGN.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the course of a speech stated that the financial prospects were so improved that the Indian Government did not require help in meeting the cost of the frontier war at present.

He also said that owing to the strike of engineers the expenditure of £1,500,000 upon the Navy had been suspended.

Referring to the Far Eastern question, he said he was unable to see any reason why the Powers should object to the Chinese loan of £12,000,000 being raised in England.

THE REVOLT IN BELOOCHISTAN.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

Advices from India state that Mehrab Khan, the leader of the rebellion in Beloochistan, has declared himself as the Ghazi (devoted to battle), and announces his intention of continuing the revolt. The British outposts are being looted by the rebels. British troops are being sent to reinforce the outposts.

BEQUEST TO THE NATION.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The colossal equestrian statue, representing "Force," executed by Mr. G. F. Watts, R.A., has been bequeathed to the nation. It is understood that the Government has agreed to defray the cost of casting the statue in bronze.

ANARCHIST OUTRAGE IN PARIS.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

Etievant, a notorious anarchist, has stabbed two policemen in Paris. He was arrested after a desperate struggle, during which he fired seven shots in all.

BREAD RIOTS IN ITALY.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

Three days' rioting has taken place in the streets of Ancona, Italy, as the result of the dearness of bread. Many arrests have been effected.

The agitation is spreading to other cities.

THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

BARRY CHALLENGES THE WORLD.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

W. A. Barry, the English sculler, has challenged the world to row on the Thames for the championship.

INTERCOLONIAL CRICKET.

HOWELL'S INJURY.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Howell to-day received a telegram from Mr. Percy K. Bowden (secretary of the New South Wales Cricket Association) asking if he would be able to play in the match New South Wales against Victoria at Sydney on Saturday. Howell replied: "Much regret cannot play; doctor forbids; wish all luck." He will remain in Melbourne for the fourth test match. The balance of the New South Wales team left for Sydney to-night.

TO-DAY.

South Balmain Protection Union: Meeting, Mansfield-street Hall, 8 p.m.

A.U.B.S.: The Annual General Meeting, Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, 7.30 p.m.

Meeting in regard to Banquet to Mr. Kelso King, 173 Pitt-street, 4 p.m.

Sydney and Suburban Co-operative Society, Limited: Meeting, School of Arts, 8 p.m.

R.A.O.B., S.E.: Election Grand Primo, Freemason's Hotel, York-street, this evening.

Fitzgerald Brothers' Circus, opposite Redfern Railway Station, 8 p.m.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "Babes in the Wood," 7.45 p.m.

Criterion Theatre: "Charley's Aunt," 8 p.m.

Theatre Royal: "Jack the Giant-killer," 8 p.m.

The Tivoli Theatre: The Kellino Family, 8 p.m.

The Cyclorama, opposite Redfern Railway Station.

Polytechnic and Rontgen Ray Exhibition: 82 King-street.

CEYLON GOLDEN TIPS, the finest Tea obtainable, exceptional value at 2s 3d, 1s 9d, 1s 6d, 1s 3d per lb. E. H. Harris and Co., Teamen, 21 Strand.—Advt.

VICTORIA.

THE LATE MELBOURNE FIRE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The board appointed to inquire into the disastrous fire in Flinders-street and Flinders-lane last November continued its work to-day, and took evidence with reference to the time of the outbreak. According to the fireman on duty in the tower at the central station there were no signs of fire till about 20 minutes past 2 on the morning of November 21, and this is corroborated by the testimony of the police officers and other witnesses. Still, the evidence given to-day by the hospital nurses, a wardsman at the Melbourne Hospital, and the caretaker of Modern-chambers, in Collins-street, shows that the flames were visible at half-past 1 or thereabout, and though these witnesses were carefully cross-examined by Mr. J. E. Mackey, who appeared for the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, they came through the ordeal unscathed. They all gave satisfactory or apparently satisfactory explanations as to how they fixed the time. The members of the board regarded the evidence of such importance that late in the afternoon they visited Modern-chambers, the Melbourne Hospital, and the Women's Hospital, to satisfy themselves as to the possibility of seeing flames from the positions held by the witnesses at the time. The inquiry will be resumed on Monday morning.

A team of Tasmanian cricketers arrived to-day by the Coogee and will commence a match against a Victorian eleven on Saturday.

The Minister for Mines sent a letter to-day to the Public Service Board stating that the Cabinet had decided that the salary of the metallurgist to be attached to the Mines Department should be £800. The Government intends to advertise in Australia and Europe for a gentleman competent to fill the office.

A strong southerly wind set in this morning about 10 o'clock, bringing up rain clouds, and a couple of hours later heavy showers fell. Telegrams from various parts of Gippsland report that light to heavy showers fell to-day, and did much towards extinguishing the bush fires.

As the result of the unfortunate accident to the steamer Innamincka and the subsequent suspension of Captain Anthon's certificate for six months, that gentleman has handed in his resignation to the Adelaide Steamship Company, who, in accepting the document, expressed regret at losing his services and wished him every happiness and prosperity.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The Wellington Gas Company has declared a dividend of 5 per cent., making 10 per cent. for the year.

The death is announced of Mr. James Crowe, of Richmond, a member of the Legislative Council. He was a prominent figure in New Zealand politics.

A Royal Commission, consisting of Messrs. Poynton, Wardell (stipendiary magistrates), and Colonel Pitt has been appointed to inquire into the general administration of the police force.

AN ILL-FATED EXPRESS TRAIN.

IT KILLS A GANGER IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

AFTERWARDS BREAKS DOWN IN VICTORIAN TERRITORY.

PICTON, Wednesday.

As the Melbourne express train was travelling at the rate of 50 miles an hour this evening near Macdonald's Siding, a few miles from Picton, the passengers were suddenly startled by hearing a terrific crash, followed by a bumping of the train. At the same moment something struck the side of the sleeping car near the spot where Mr. Lyne, M.L.A., who was on his way to the Federation Convention, was seated talking to a representative of the "Sydney Morning Herald." Instantly scores of passengers thrust their heads out of the windows to ascertain the cause of the crash, and were astounded at seeing an object for all the world like a barrel flash momentarily in the air, and fall against the side of the cutting through which the train was passing. With commendable promptitude the driver applied the brakes, and pulled the train up in a few yards. He told the guard he was certain the train had run over some large object, but he could not say what it was. A hurried examination of the front of the engine revealed several splinters of wood, and it was at once assumed that a railway tricycle had been run over. The guard and several officers walked back along the line with lights, and their fears that a serious accident had happened were unfortunately realised, for they discovered a fine, powerfully-built man about 45 years of age, lying in a mangled condition and quite dead. He lay on his back across the rails on which the express was travelling. His face was uninjured, and but for the distorted limbs and blood flowing from a terrible gash on the back of the head one could almost imagine he was peacefully sleeping. The battered remains of a railway tricycle alongside showed only too well that the unfortunate man was a ganger. The body was placed in the guard's van, and the train, which had been delayed 20 minutes, proceeded on its journey. On reaching Picton the remains were placed in the station, and were recognised as those of John Brennan, a ganger on the railway. The night was dark, and the engine-driver states that he never saw the tricycle or any light. It is clear, owing to the gash in the back of the unfortunate man's head, that he was travelling in the same direction as the express, and the mystery is why a ganger, who knows the running of the trains, should have been on the line when the express was due.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Melbourne express train which hauled out of the Redfern Railway Station on Wednesday experienced two sensational incidents before it reached Melbourne this afternoon three hours late. One of the incidents unfortunately was accompanied by the sad death of a fine young man named John Brennan, a ganger on the New South Wales railways. The melancholy event occurred near Picton, about half-past 8 o'clock on Wednesday night. The occurrence had a most depressing effect on the passengers, amongst whom were Mr. Carruthers (Minister for Lands), who was proceeding to Melbourne to attend the Federal Convention, accompanied by his bride; Mr. Lyne, M.L.A., who was also journeying to the Convention; and Mrs. Reed, wife of the Premier. Half an hour was lost by the stoppage, and the engine-driver tried to make it up on the run to Albury. He was unable to do so, however, owing to meeting a terrific head wind for nearly 300 miles. Indeed the train lost nearly another half-hour by the time the border was reached. Everything went all right on the Victorian side for about 100 miles, when a terrific bumping was experienced, whilst the train was travelling at about 50 miles an hour. The next moment the air brakes were jammed down hard, and the train was brought to a standstill. It was then found that the left forerod on the link motion had broken, and that it was impossible for the train to proceed, as it is a single line worked on the staff system. The fireman started to run back with the staff to a station seven miles away in order to get the engine of a passenger train standing on a siding. In the meantime the passengers got out of the train and anathematised the Victorian railway officials for landing them at luncheon hour miles away from any food. The fireman after trotting along the line for five miles came up to a ganger who had a railway tricycle. He mounted the machine, rode two miles to the station, and brought on the other passenger train. After a delay of two hours both trains started, the broken-down engine working with one cylinder and the other engine shoving from behind. In this way they reached the next station, where another engine happened to be doing shunting work. The disabled express engine was cast aside, and the relief engine brought the train into Spencer-street station, where the Premier on meeting Mr. Carruthers and Mr. Lyne facetiously observed that there must be a Jonah aboard the train, otherwise it would not have played up such a prank during its journey.

THE SCIENCE ASSOCIATION.

VISIT TO LAKE ILLAWARRA.

DAPTO, Thursday.

A party of members of the Australian Association for the Advancement of Science, in response to an invitation from the Smelting Company of Australia, paid a visit to-day to the works at Lake Illawarra, over which they were shown by the manager, Mr. G. H. Blakemore. The various parts of the works, such as the assay office and the roasting and sulphuric acid plants, were inspected. Great interest was manifested by the members in the system the company adopted in the division of the qualities of ore received and in the bedding of them before smelting in the blast furnaces. In the bedding floors and bins some 5000 tons of ore are now lying, and a large shipment of some 50 trucks of ore was on the trucks awaiting sampling and unloading into the bins. The smelting plant, which was in full swing, was a special attraction to the visitors. A matteing furnace, which had just been started, was the subject of some interest. Altogether the quantity of ore treated weekly now amounts to some 500 tons, and as the lead refinery will be in work within a fortnight the whole of the bullion produced will be treated at the works instead of being shipped to England. After Lake Illawarra, which is in full view of the works, had come in for its full share of approbation, an adjournment was made to the Illawarra Lake Hotel for luncheon. At the conclusion Mr. Hamlet wished the company success. The party was then conveyed back to the works, where special railway carriages were awaiting them, and the company's engine hauled them back to Dapto station.

QUEENSLAND.

QUEENSLAND NATIONAL BANK.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The report and balance-sheet of the Queensland National Bank for the half-year ended the 31st December last, show a net profit, of £8000, after providing substantially for all contingencies. The amount divisible according to the scheme of re-arrangement, is as follows:—£2000 to the reserve fund, £4000 to private depositors' repayment fund, and £2000 for repayment to the Government. The report states that the earning power of the bank had been seriously reduced by the general lowering of the rates of interest, and the profits were largely affected by the falling-off in advances. The severe drought had also affected the bank in common with all institutions. Therefore the profit of £8000 would be considered as most satisfactory when compared with the loss of £25,425 during the previous half-year. During the year a branch had been opened at Halifax, and the branches at St. George, Tambo, and Wooloongabba had been closed.

The wheat crop in the Maranoa district amounted to 19,000 bags, of which 4000 bags have already been sold locally at 4s per bushel.

A St. George telegram states that during the last five days nearly 2 inches of rain have fallen over the district. The weather is still threatening. The rivers and creeks are in flood.

The steamer Katoomba arrived at Gladstone from the south to-day, being the first steamer that has arrived during the fortnight. Stores in town were running short.

Mr. R. J. Gray, Commissioner for Railways, is having an estimate made of the cost of raising the suburban railway line between Auchenflower and Milton, as well as between Mayne and Albion, in order to avoid the future suspension of traffic on account of the flood waters.

This morning a number of police visited the different Chinese quarters of the town and made seizures of opium. The visits caused considerable excitement among the Chinese population, who in many cases vehemently protested against the action of the constables in seizing whatever opium they found on the premises. Mr. Parry Okeden, the Commissioner of Police, stated that he is simply carrying out the provisions of the Aboriginals' Protection Act.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Government has realised that paying money for wild dog scalps has not been an efficacious method of destroying the pest, and has, therefore, sent out as an experiment a large party of men on weekly wages to destroy dogs on abandoned leases in the Gawler Ranges country.

THE MURDER OF MR. WILLIAM TERRISS.

PARTICULARS BY THE MAIL.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The English mails brought by the Lusitania arrived here to-day. They give the following details of the murder of Mr. William Terriss:—On the evening of December 16 Mr. William Terris, one of the best and most popular of our London actors, was cruelly murdered at the stage door of the Adelphi Theatre. His assailant was a "super" out of work, known as "mad Archer," who had imaginary grievances against Mr. Terriss, though the latter had often given him help. Mr. Terriss had driven a brougham to the stage door in Maiden-lane about half-past 7 o'clock, and was in the act of taking out of a pocket his latchkey, simultaneously speaking to Mr. Gilbert Tate, theatrical agent, and Mr. Colyer, of the Criterion, who had either accompanied him or met him at the stage door. While he was thus engaged the man Archer rushed upon him, dealt him two blows in the chest and one above the heart with a butcher's knife. Mr. Terriss fell down, and was carried to his dressing-room, where he died in great agony in a quarter of an hour. The murderer meanwhile had been arrested. While these events were occurring a large audience was assembling in the theatre to witness "Secret Service," in which Mr. Terriss was to play the leading part, and the "house" had, of course, to be dismissed. Archer was well known to his companions as "mad Archer." Like many of his class, he was often in a very impecunious state, and knowing him to be an old "super" Mr. Terriss frequently relieved him. The man's latest grievance against Mr. Terriss was owing to the latter having refused to employ him or give him any further help. Mr. Terriss had, however, written on the man's behalf to the Actors' Benevolent Fund, from which he had often received assistance. Archer had been watching round the theatre door for one or two nights, dressed like a stage villain, in a slouch hat, and wearing an Inverness cape. On Wednesday night when the doorkeeper told him that he could not see Mr. Terriss the man went away with the significant expression "Not yet." Mr. Terriss was beloved by all who knew him. He was a man of the most generous disposition, and his manners were cheery and genial to all around him. It is not a little singular that London's favourite actor in melodrama should have met with such a tragic end. His death is associated with a remarkable dream quite of the Adelphian type. Mr. F. Lane, who acts as Mr. Terriss' under-study, declares that he dreamt he saw Mr. Terris, lying on the landing of the theatre raving and a crowd standing around. He thought of the circumstance several times on the day of the murder, and mentioned it to some of his friends. As he approached the stage door of the theatre on the evening of the murder he saw Archer, whose slouch hat and big cloak attracted his attention. He walked on, and a few minutes afterwards Mr. Terriss was stabbed almost under his eyes. This is a singular story, but it has been well probed by some of the writers for the newspapers, and they find it thoroughly vouched for by trustworthy persons to whom Mr. Lane had talked about his dream. When Archer was brought up at Bow-street on the following day the crowd would have torn him to pieces. The inspector who took him in charge stated to the magistrate that the prisoner accused Mr. Terriss of preventing him from getting help from the Actors' Fund, which was exactly contrary to fact. Mr. Terriss often talked of visiting Australia. When a sailor before the mast in 1865 he landed in Melbourne and spent some time on the goldfields at Ballarat.

It has since been stated in our cables that Archer has been found guilty of murder, but having been proved to be insane was ordered to be confined during her Majesty's pleasure in a criminal lunatic asylum.

THE ENSUING GENERAL ELECTION.

MR. F. B. SUTTOR AT BATHURST.

BATHURST, Thursday.

To-night at the School of Arts Hall Mr. F. B. Suttor, the protectionist candidate for Bathurst, addressed the electors. Mr. J. T. Slack was in the chair, and there was a large attendance. Mr. Suttor, who was warmly received, said that having duly considered the matter, he had consented to offer himself as a candidate at the ensuing general election. He came forward chiefly in the capacity of a protectionist. Many had bitter feelings against him because he changed from freetrade at a time when he thought protection the best thing for the country. He stood by his colours as a freetrader for years. That was when everybody was freetrade, because he was strong in the faith of his fathers; but surely if a man was convinced he was wrong he was justified in adopting another course. In a young community like this it was the duty of Parliament to encourage native industry by a fiscal system which would provide work for the people and make the country more prosperous. He admitted he was one of the Government which took the duty off tea and put it on other articles, and the result was that there was tea in the market not fit for human consumption, which was sold as low as 6d per lb. This was the result of the free admission of goods. The Government might show the people how to grow wheat on a limited scale, but what was the good to the farmers when grain came in and flooded the market, and reduced the prices to an unpayable standard. It was evident that protection was daily gaining ground in New South Wales, the only freetrade colony in the group. He alluded to federation, and in passing he congratulated the colony on the position taken by his old colleague, Mr. Barton, at the head of the poll on the occasion of the election to Convention. The protectionists must fight for federation, because in doing so they would promote their fiscal policy. They were certain under federation to have protection against the outside world. He advocated federation as the means of providing effective defence against nations who had their eye on Australia. He declared himself as strongly opposed to the land and income tax. He admitted a land tax was necessary, but he thought that before adopting it for State purposes they should establish a land tax for local government. Regarding Upper House reform he did not agree with Mr. Reid as to the alteration of the constitution of that Chamber, and he favoured the elective system.

Mr. W. C. Kelk moved, and Alderman James seconded a motion declaring the fitness of Mr. Suttor to represent Bathurst in the Legislative Assembly. The motion was carried amidst applause.

THE TEST MATCH.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The members of Stoddart's team and the rest of the Australian Eleven left by to-day's express. The Postmaster-General has supplied figures showing the number of words telegraphed during the test match, which, however, does not include the long messages despatched after the day's play. The local and intercolonial traffic totalled 17,008 telegrams, making 30,448 words, valued at £146 17s 6d. The number of cables despatched was 236, containing 4441 words, costing £1613 18s. The Englishmen will play at Hamilton on Friday and Saturday.

FEDERAL CONVENTION.

BANQUET IN THE MELBOURNE TOWN HALL.

A DISTINGUISHED COMPANY.

ENTHUSIASTIC FEDERATION SPEECHES.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTERS.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

It cannot be said that the reassembling of the Federal Convention in Melbourne to-day caused much public interest. There was a sprinkling of the public in the galleries. Lord Hampden and Lord Brassey, with their parties, were in places set apart for them; and there were a few members and officials gathered together, but not in great numbers. Of course it would be very unwise to judge of the vitality of a movement of this sort by the ordinary test of crowded galleries and suchlike. Even the keenest federationist finds it hard at times to keep up an active interest in the debates, with their elaborate iteration and exhaustive airing of views on familiar subjects, and this drawback to an interest in federation must be much more keenly felt by the general public. It prefers to look at the net results of these debates, if any, and gauge from day to day the exact progress that has been made.

So far as can be gathered the Victorian interest in federation has somewhat slackened since the last sitting of the Convention in Sydney. A remark of Sir George Turner two or three months ago seems to have sunk into the public mind. He stated that under a federation Victoria must certainly lose some £200,000 of revenue, including £80,000 in the way of a stock tax, whilst her contribution towards its cost of government would be £100,000 a year. It has therefore been assumed that federation means extra taxation, and the two things have become associated in the public mind, so that without there being in Victoria any very active anti-federal party there are a large number who view the whole business with complete indifference, which is possibly a more fatal attitude to adopt towards federation than outright opposition. Opposition may be met and confuted, and in its discomfiture much good may result to federation, but there is no making headway against indifference. This feeling appears to have taken the deepest root among the farming community, who, owing to the heavy protective tariff of Victoria, are already heavily taxed, and who dread that any increased taxation may be imposed upon them and so crush them out altogether; and they argue that if, as they have been told by Sir George Turner, federation means additional taxation this can only be made up by means of land taxation. Mr. M'Lean, who holds the post of honorary Minister in the present Government without a portfolio is a typical farmer's representative, and he opposes federation unless some method can be devised to gradually taper away the stock tax. Some amusement was caused by his appearance in the Chamber this morning just as the Convention broke up. The Convention only sat a few minutes this morning, according to the well-established precedent perfected in Australia of beginning very slowly and ending that way too; but there is to be a banquet to-night, and a formidable list of entertainments follows, including harbour excursions, picnics, and country trips. To-morrow it is expected business will commence in earnest, and the financial clauses be proceeded with without delay. It is expected that the bill will take at least four weeks to finish, and probably longer. The interruption of the next test match is expected to extend the deliberations.

THE OPENING SITTING.

The Federal Convention assembled at Parliament House at noon.

The President, Mr Kingston, occupied the chair. The five colonies were represented, but a number of delegates were absent. The absentees were—Sir J. P. Abbott and Messrs. Brunker, Carruthers, and Lyne, of New South Wales; Sir E. Braddon and Messrs. Brown, Clarke, Dobson, Douglas, and Lewis, of Tasmania.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Glynn presented a petition from 1553 electors of South Australia in favour of the adoption of the Hare system of proportionate representation in connection with the elections to the Federal Parliament.

A petition was presented from Dr. Andrew Ross, of New South Wales, asking that provision be made in the constitution to prevent the conferring of titles, and also to provide for impeachment in the case of corruption.

The petitions were received.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Dr. Quick gave notice for a return showing the expenditure on the services proposed to be transferred to the Commonwealth.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH QUEENSLAND.

The clerk read the correspondence which had passed between the President of the Convention at Sydney and Sir H. Tozer, of Queensland, with regard to that colony joining the Convention. The correspondence consisted of a letter sent by Mr. Kingston expressing satisfaction at the likelihood of Queensland joining the Convention, and of a reply from Sir H. Tozer expressing the gratification of the Government at the manner in which the telegram from Queensland was received by the Convention.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BARTON said that at the time the Convention rose in Sydney the members were discussing the bill in committee, and were dealing with clause 52. The proceedings would now be commenced at that clause. The question was whether the Convention should proceed with work that day or adjourn until the following day. Some of the Tasmanian delegates had been detained on board the steamer by adverse weather. Some of the New South Wales delegates had not put in an appearance, and the Western Australian delegates had only just arrived. Under these circumstances he left the matter of the adjournment with the Convention, but to put himself in order he would move,—"That the Convention adjourn until the following day." (Hear, hear.)

Sir GEORGE TURNER said the proceedings in Sydney were adjourned because some of the Victorians could not attend in time. He thought this Convention should do the same thing.

The motion was agreed to, and the Convention adjourned until 10.30 a.m. on the following day.

ARRIVAL OF DELEGATES.

The whole of the Western Australian delegates arrived this morning by the express train from Adelaide, and later on in the day the remainder of the Tasmanian delegates landed on the Yarra Wharf from the steamer Coogee. They were heartily glad to get ashore, as they were tossed about in a rough sea in Bass' Straits to such an extent that they were all sick, especially Sir Edward Braddon, who looked anything but well.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee held a formal meeting to-day. Mr. Reid says he has completed the draft report, which will be revised at the meeting of the committee to-morrow evening. The Premier anticipates presenting the report to the Convention on Monday. In the course of the journey from Sydney to Melbourne in the express train Mr. Lyne clearly indicated to the "Sydney Morning Herald" representative that in his opinion there will be another severe struggle in the Convention on the subject of equal State rights. Mr. Lyne is implacable in his opposition to the granting of such concession. He pointed out that no man in his senses would contend that a shareholder holding 100 shares in a company should have the same voting power as a man who held 10,000 shares, and he contends that the same argument holds good in the case of the smaller States; that is to say, a State with a population of 400,000 people should not have an equal voice with a State having a population of one million.

It was reported amongst the delegates this evening that on the proceedings of the Finance Committee being explained to the delegates from Western Australia Sir John Forrest agreed to some of the provisions, but required modifications as regards others. It is thought, however, that a general understanding amongst the members of the committee will be arrived at to-morrow.

THE BANQUET.

The Mayor of Melbourne (Councillor M. D. M'Eacharn) entertained a distinguished company this evening in the Melbourne Town Hall in honour of the final meeting of the Federation Convention. Fully 700 guests were invited to meet the Governor of Victoria (Lord Brassey) and the Governor of New South Wales (Lord Hampden), and the delegates of of the various colonies to the Convention. The hall was beautifully decorated with evergreens, flags, parti-coloured fairy lamps, and lace curtains. The Mayor, as host, had on his right hand Lord Brassey, Sir George Turner, Mr. C. C. Kingston (President of the Federal Convention), Sir John Forrest, the Speaker of the Victorian Legislative Assembly (Mr. F. C. Mason), Mr. A. Douglas (Tasmania), Sir J. Lee Steere, Mr. J. H. Carruthers, Sir P. O. Fysh, Mr. A. J. Peacock (Chief Secretary of Victoria), Dr. Cockburn (South Australia), Mr. W. J. Lyne, M.L.A., and Mr. J. T. Walker. On the left hand of the Mayor were seated Lord Hampden, Mr. G. H. Reid (Premier of New South Wales), Sir Edward Braddon, Sir William Zeal, Mr. E. Barton, M.L.C., Sir Richard Baker, Sir John Downer, Sir Graham Berry, Mr. W. M'Millan, M.L.A., Mr. B. R. Wise, Sir Ralph Thompson, Mr. Henniker Heaton, M.P., Sir Henry Wrixon, and Sir John M'Intyre. A unique feature of the proceedings was the fact that at the conclusion of the banquet a large number of ladies headed by Lady Brassey took their seats in the balcony, and became spectators of the animated scene below. After the usual loyal toasts were honoured with great enthusiasm,

The Mayor proposed "The Health of the Governor of Victoria."

Lord Brassey, in responding, said he could conceive of nothing more calculated to secure the moral and material progress of Australia than the closer union of all its provinces in one Federal Government. That he believed to be the opinion of a commanding majority of the best men on both sides of politics in this colony. He gave a warm welcome to the delegates to the Federal Convention. The patriotism and political ability of its members had been well attested at their previous meetings. He was confident of a successful consummation of their labours in the final meeting. (Cheers.) It seemed to be generally agreed that it should be the essential and primary object to establish a Federal Government. The adjustment of the relative powers of the two Houses had been the main difficulty. Whatever differences of opinion might arise on federal matters the line of cleavage would not follow geographical boundaries, but would run along irregular and uncertain lines through all the States, whether large or small. Federal finances was also a difficulty, but by a small committee of competent men they had taken the most effective step for its solution. If they could constitute a Federal Government and provide it in a satisfactory manner with a revenue they would have done a service to Australia for which succeeding generations would be deeply indebted. Regarding many other matters which would require attention it would be wisdom to leave them to be dealt with by the Federal Government when the proper moment arrived. Federation would not weaken Imperial ties. (Applause.) Surely there never was a period when the sense that "unity is strength" was brought more forcibly home to every thinking man than at present. (Cheers.) Whether we lived in the old country or in the colonies it was clearly the concern of every British subject that peace should be maintained. He was confident there would be a general approvement of the firm attitude of the Home Government in resisting the attempt to deny to the rest of the world free access to the great fields of trade which through the course of recent events, were rapidly opening out in China. We were strong in our loyalty to the throne because in whatever part of the Empire we might be we Britons were a band of brothers, and were prepared to stand by one another shoulder to shoulder. (Cheers.) Impressed with these thoughts he gave his unqualified support to the great cause of Australian federation. From his heart he wished every success for the labours of the Convention, the members of which to-night they met to honour. (Cheers.)

The Mayor of Melbourne proposed "The Health of the Governor of New South Wales," and it was acknowledged with unbounded enthusiasm.

Lord Hampden, on rising to respond, was received with loud and continued cheers. He said he was glad that a pure accident of his passing through Melbourne had enabled him to accept the hospitality of the Mayor of Melbourne and to be present on an occasion which he hoped and trusted would be an auspicious one in the annals of Australasia. (Cheers.) As an Imperial officer he had no doubt as to the advantage of federation to the colonies of Australia and also to Great Britain. In the first place, it would increase their defensive power, and perhaps lead to the creation of a power of some magnitude in the Southern Hemisphere. (Cheers.) In the settlement of intercolonial and also of international questions affecting the British Empire this power would have a great voice. He was also sure federation would extend our trade and commerce and industry, and permeate our public life with higher aims and impulses. We had now six Governors. Perhaps we could not have too much of a good thing; but he thought it would be a blessed solution of the question if we had but one gentleman to represent her Majesty in these colonies. At the same time he pitied those gentlemen if they had to travel from Dan to Beersheba in the pursuit of their duties. He hoped the members of the Convention would not sacrifice the advantages of federation by magnifying any obstacles which stood in the way. They were not insurmountable. Other people had overcome them, and what other people could do the people of Australia could do. We had proved this in sport, especially in cricket. (Cheers.) He had no sympathy with those who said that federation would mean separation from the Crown. (Applause.) The Australian people were loyal to the Crown. (Hear, hear.) Their sentiments of patriotism, kinship, and self-interest impelled them to this, but even if he believed the contrary he would still advocate federal union, because he believed that that policy was necessary to the safety, security, and progress of those colonies. He would, in short, sooner see Australia united and friendly to the British Crown than divided into separate colonies, and independent. (Cheers.) He hoped this session of the Federal Convention would be able to bring this question to a final and successful issue. (Applause.)

The Mayor, in proposing the toast of "Australasian Federation," paid a tribute of respect to the Australian press for the manner in which it had striven loyally to forward the federation movement. He greatly regretted the absence of Queensland from the Convention, and asserted that it was due to a clique of a few people interested in Northern Queensland that that great colony was not represented. (Cheers.)

Mr. G. H. Reid, on rising to respond, was received with loud and continued cheering and the waving of handkerchiefs. He said he had listened with great pleasure to the Governors of Victoria and New South Wales on the subject of federation. (Applause.) He gave to his brother Premiers credit for a desire to solve the difficulty of federation, but he had come to the conclusion whether they solved it or not it would be impossible to solve it to the entire satisfaction of every editor of a newspaper. (Laughter.) Hence they had determined not to trouble about this or that criticism, but to go into this great national work without fear and upon broad lines. (Cheers.) They desired to lay within the lines of the constitution principles of justice and powers of discretion which would ensure to the Australian people the blessing of wise legislation and good government. (Cheers.) The delegates would not perform their duty if they did not weigh well public opinion respecting the various difficulties surrounding this all-important task, because a constitution which met with the entire satisfaction of the Convention, but not with that of a majority of the electors, was not the constitution they wanted. (Cheers.) They had done well in asking the people to elect the delegates to the Convention—(cheers)—and he had a strong conviction that when the momentous question was put to the electors it would be found that they as a body would rise to the grandeur and greatness of the occasion. (Loud cheers.) They had arrived at a critical stage in their work, but he was sanguine they would so settle the terms of this great charter that it would be possible for him and the other leaders in the Convention to go to their respective colonies and use every influence in recommending the constitution for their adoption. (Cheers.) He was satisfied the colonies had arrived at a stage in their history when not only the provincial but also the national advantage of union would be found to be so great as to lead all parts of the continent to enter upon a larger measure of progress and security, and upon a future of such stability that it would rise superior to all shocks of change or of time. (Loud and continued cheering.)

Sir George Turner, in replying, said they were agreed that separate existences for the different colonies, except for local concerns, were a great mistake, and that they required a supreme body capable of dealing with all matters of national importance. They were not federationists at any price. They must be prepared to give and take. None, however, could consent to the taking being all on one side. They wanted a constitution suitable to all Australia. There were difficulties in each colony. They must not aim at impossibilities or at carrying out fads. He believed the federal feeling was gaining ground amongst the delegates. (Applause.) At Adelaide they were strangers. At Sydney there was displayed a truer federal spirit than ever before, and now at Melbourne they would go one step further and complete the contract. (Cheers.) They wanted no shadow of federation, but a real practical compact. Their motto was "Trust the people." (Cheers.) He believed the result would be that they would form themselves into one grand federation. (Cheers.) There were difficulties, but the greater the difficulties the greater the praise to them if they overcame them. He believed they were nearer coming to a unanimous decision than ever before. If they did not succeed now there were few in that room who would ever see federation brought about. All reasonable compromises would be accepted. Federation did not mean dissolution from the British Crown. (Loud cheers.) As Canada was loyal so Australia would be loyal. (Applause.) He hoped by compromise and by a display of a federal spirit they would abolish all those artificial lines which separated them. He hoped they would all be able to advise the people of these colonies to accept the federation which would be agreed upon. (Cheers.)

Mr. Kingston, in a short speech, traced the progress of the federal movement, and asserted that the cause was advancing now as it had never advanced before; but they all deplored the absence of Queensland. The constitution would be worthy of acceptance. It would abrogate internal barriers. (Applause.)

Sir Philip Fysh and Sir John Forrest also responded to the toast.

Mr. Barton, in responding to the toast of the Australasian Federation Convention, said, after a most enthusiastic reception, that the time for speech had passed and that for action had arrived. They had an arduous task to perform, and he believed that in the present session they would adopt a constitution that would meet with the acceptance and the approval of the people of Australia. There were none who doubted the supremacy of this great empire. (Cheers.) They had not been in a hurry to federate. The movement had been in its practical form for nine years, and events showed that the obstacles to federation grew every year. It was admitted that federation was good. Then, why in the name of common sense did they postpone federating? (Cheers.) The constitution which would be adopted would embody the force that guaranteed the supremacy of the popular will. He was confident that after a few months of the completion of the constitution Queensland would join the federation. (Cheers.)

The proceedings closed with the National Anthem.

BALMAIN POLICE RETURNS.

The annual police returns for the year 1897 for the district of Balmain, which also includes that of Drummoyne, have been prepared by the clerk of petty sessions (Mr. James W. Brassington), and show a marked increase in the business transacted to that of the year 1896. The statistics show the number of police cases to be 336; the number of petty court summons cases, exclusive of summons cases under the Licensing Act, 688; number of arrests or summons cases under the Licensing Acts, 20; number of cases committed for trial, 10; number of municipal appeals dealt with, 926; number of applications for auctioneers', pawnbrokers', hawkers', coach, fishing boat, and other licenses, 12. In the small debts division there were 633 plaints entered, 21 executions issued, 25 garnishee applications, 76 bills of sale registered, and 79 searches made. The total money received was £1273 1s 4d. The total for the year 1896 was £1025 16s 11d, so that there has been an increase for the year 1897 of £248 1s 5d.

NEWCASTLE.

LOSS OF THE KETCH ACTIVE.

FOUNDERED ON THE OYSTER BANK.

ALL HANDS SAVED.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The wooden ketch Active, one of the coasters regularly trading between Cape Hawke and Newcastle, when making this port last night foundered on the Oyster Bank and rapidly became a total wreck. The crew took to the boat and managed to safely reach Newcastle at an early hour this morning. The Active, which was laden with a cargo of 23,300ft. of hardwood timber, passed Nobbys at 10.50 last night. Captain Williams reached within half a mile of the end of the breakwater with a N.E. wind, which however suddenly died away. A southerly then sprang up, and the master stretched off a short distance and then stood in, keeping well to windward and close to the breakwater. He fetched in as far as practicable and then let go his anchor. At this stage the cook happened to go below, and discovered to his amazement that the cabins were full of water. He informed the master, and the ship's boat was immediately launched. The crew had no sooner pulled away than the vessel went down. It is estimated that not more than 6 or 7 minutes elapsed between the discovery of the leak and the sinking of the ketch. The prevailing opinion is that the craft opened out and rapidly went to pieces.

The names of the crew are:—Captain Williams, master; Leonard Englund, cook; Tom Peters and John Anderson, A.B.'s. They landed in safety on the southern breakwater and made for Newcastle where the wreck was immediately reported.

The Oyster Bank—one of the fatal spots of the northern coast—lies between Nobby's and the Stockton Beach. As soon as the foundering of the vessel was reported to the authorities the Harbour-master despatched an official to ascertain whether the wreck was in the fairway. It was found, however, that the wreck was well clear of the channel and was not in any way a danger to navigation. Captain Newton, the Harbour-master for the port of Newcastle, visited the scene of the wreck this morning and took the bearings. He found that the craft was slightly to the northward of the wreck of the steamers Colonist and Cawarra. The Active lies clear of the other wrecks, and slightly further inland.

At high water this morning she was heading to the southward with her fore and aft sails set, and the water one-third up the mainsail. She remained in an upright position until about 9 o'clock this morning, but capsized with the ebb tide. For a few hours only her mainmast was visible, and during the course of the afternoon she entirely disappeared from view. The Harbour-master reports that at the time of his visit to the Oyster Bank her decks were floating out to sea with a strong fresh to the northward. She was fast breaking up, and it is surmised that the ketch has now completely gone to pieces.

The Government Shipping-master (Mr. C. H. Hannell), upon hearing that the shipwrecked crew had lost all their effects, arranged for their accommodation at the Sailors' Home, where their wants were readily attended to by the superintendent, Mr. Booth. The loss of the vessel was reported to the Marine Board this afternoon, and an inquiry will be opened on Monday afternoon next.

Captain Williams states that the ketch did not strike anything, but the cook asserts that he felt a movement as though the Active collided with some hard substance. The popular theory is that the Active struck some driftwood which had recently been floating down the river in large quantities.

The Active was a wooden ketch of 49 tons register, and was built at Brisbane Water in 1877. She was owned by Mr. John Breckenridge, of Cape Hawke, and was registered in Sydney. It is believed that she was uninsured. Her dimensions were—Length, 67ft. 2in.; breadth, 17ft. 6in.; depth, 6ft. 2in.

As soon as the news reached Sydney instructions were sent from the Shipwreck Relief Society to Mr. Booth, superintendent of the Sailors' Home, to provide all necessaries for the men.

AN IMPENDING MINING STRIKE.

THE CO-OPERATIVE COLLIERY TROUBLE.

The difficulty which has arisen between the management and the miners of the Co-operative colliery, Plattsburg, was exhaustively discussed at the quarterly meeting of the miners' delegate board to-day, and judging from present appearances a strike will be declared at an early date. The district officers reported that an attempt to organise the miners at the Co-operative Colliery had recently been highly successful. A strong lodge had been formed, officers elected, and the delegates of the new lodge were presented. At that meeting no less than 180 of the 223 miners employed at the pit had enrolled their names as intending members. The Co-operative Colliery, it was pointed out, had been worked for some years past exclusively by non-unionists, many of whom had formerly been attached to the Miners' Federation. Since the formation of the lodge, however, 40 of their number had received 14 days' notice of dismissal. Although the manager declined to give any reason for dispensing with the services of the men, the board was confident that the action taken was owing to the men asserting their rights to combine for the purpose of appointing check inspectors and check weighmen, in accordance with the provisions of the Coal Mines Regulations Act. Reference was made to the fact that the Act distinctly provided that it was an offence to dismiss men for combining, and that the Act further provided that colliery managers should grant facilities for the men to hold meetings.

After considerable discussion it was resolved that, unless the notices of dismissal are withdrawn, the miners employed at the Co-operative pit be advised to come out on strike. This recommendation to be subject to the approval of the majority of the mining lodges of the district. It was further decided to financially assist those men who have received notice, and to make arrangements for the payment of strike pay to the whole of the men in the event of a strike being declared.

THE ALLEGED PORT ADELAIDE MURDER.

AN ARREST EFFECTED.

At the City Court to-day, before Mr. C. N. Payten, S.M., a seaman named John Anderson was charged by warrant with having murdered one John Lee on Christmas Day at Port Adelaide. Senior-sergeant M'Vane, who arrested the accused on board the barque Menear as she was entering the harbour on the morning of the 17th instant, deposed that accused said in reply to the charge, "I did not do it; it was my shipmate, a Portuguese, who stabbed the man." The accused further said to witness, "The Englishman who was killed was a bit drunk. He struck me, and I went back. Then I saw the Portuguese strike him. The Portuguese told me he had cut him with a knife." The accused also said that he had twice been arrested in Adelaide and discharged.

Constable Morrow, of the South Australian police force, produced the original warrant, and identified the accused as the man described therein.

The accused was remanded to Port Adelaide, and handed over to the custody of Constable Morrows.

THE MINERS DELEGATE BOARD.

The quarterly meeting of the Miners' Delegate Board in connection with the Colliery Employees Federation, was held at the Trades Hall to-day. The sitting, which was held in camera, was continued until late in the afternoon. The chair was occupied by Mr. John Estill, the president, and there was a full attendance of delegates representing the various collieries of the district. The annual balance-sheet showed a total credit balance of £2211. The financial statement was adopted. It was reported that the vote of the district for the annual election of office-bearers resulted in the return of Mr. John Estill as president, Mr. James Curley as secretary, and Mr. J. J. M'Faddyen as treasurer. Messrs. William Bower, of Glebe, and John Bower, of Wallsend, had been appointed auditors.

A lecture, entitled "The Struggle of Protestantism in the Netherlands," was delivered by the Rev. J. Crookston in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Schoolroom to-night.

Messrs. Edden and Sleath, Ms.L.A., addressed a large gathering at the School of Arts, Merewether, to-night. Both the speakers referred to the efforts of the labour party in the House, and justified the vote of the party on all occasions.

A largely attended meeting was held at Carrington to-night for the purpose of forming a branch of the Wickham Political Labour League. A number of names were enrolled.

The Moderator of the General Presbyterian Assembly of New South Wales, the Rev. Dr. Bruce, was entertained at a welcome tea meeting by the congregation of the Hamilton Presbyterian Church to-night. Dr. Bruce subsequently addressed a large public meeting.

SAD DROWNING FATALITY.

TWO LIVES LOST.

LISMORE, Thursday.

A sad drowning accident occurred yesterday, by which two ladies lost their lives. Miss Eliza Devine, daughter of a farmer at Cooper's Creek, accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. Annie London, a visitor to the district, was riding into Bexhill to get her horse shod. In fording the creek at M'Pherson's Crossing Mrs. London's horse became frightened at the current, and pushed her companion's horse also into deep water. Miss Devine, being able to swim, got ashore. She then heroically jumped into the water in an endeavour to save her aunt, but she was encumbered by her riding skirt, and both were drowned. A boy who crossed the stream just ahead of the women witnessed the occurrence, but was unable to render any assistance. Both bodies were recovered to-day.

THE ALBION PARK SHOW.

ALBION PARK, Thursday.

The Albion Park show was continued to-day, when the weather was again very hot. There was a good attendance, the grounds being crowded with people. After lunch the ring events formed the attraction of the day. The horse classes were again very good, some active serviceable hacks and light horses competing in the various sections. The hunters were a very good lot, and the exhibition of jumping was first-class. The show was well managed by the president (Mr. W. C. Dunster) and the secretary (Mr. Henry Fryer) and the committee. The judges and the visitors were entertained at luncheon by the society on both days of the show.

GRAND UNITED ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS.

SYDNEY DISTRICT.

SIR GEORGE DIBBS AND THE SAVINGS BANK.

DEBENTURES FOR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

The annual meeting of the Sydney District of the Grand United Order of Oddfellows was held yesterday evening in the Oddfellows' Hall. The chair was occupied by Bro. H. Herron, District Master, the vice-chair being filled by Bro. A. W. Sommerville, Deputy Master, and 42 lodges were represented. Among those present were the Grand Master (Bro. J. G. Moon) and the Grand Secretary (Bro. J. A. M'Cubben).

The Chairman stated that the letter received from Sir George Dibbs in reference to the bank rate of interest for deposits over £1000 was considered by the board on Wednesday evening, and they decided to recommend the delegates to appoint a committee from this meeting to see if something could not be done. It was thought that if the committee appointed would wait on the Premier and get him to issue debentures for friendly societies alone, bearing interest at 3 or 3½ per cent., it would get them out of the difficulty they were in. They had good reasons to advance to the Premier, or anyone whom they liked to interview, because undoubtedly the friendly societies were saving the Government a large amount per annum by distributing medicines and paying funeral donations to people, who without the aid of the lodges to which they belonged, would be utterly unable to pay for medicine or anything else. (Hear, hear.) Friendly societies must have some way of investing their money in a safe concern.

Bro. S. M. Steenbhom, secretary, read a communication sent from the managing trustee of the Savings Bank regarding accounts which it was stated in their totals exceeded the interest-bearing amount (£1000) by £3060 15s 10d.

Bro. Godwin said he thought it would be as well if they could get the other societies to act in conjunction with their own. Probably between Mr. Reid and Sir George Dibbs something might be done for friendly societies.

The Chairman said it would be entirely left to the committee. No doubt if the Friendly Societies' Association was going to do anything on the same lines they would be willing to act in conjunction with them.

Bro. Volk moved,—"That a committee be appointed to devise ways and means, and if possible to co-operate with other friendly societies." There were, he said, always ways and means of investing money, and he thought that they had had their savings in the bank too long.

Bro. Stidwell seconded, and Bro. Wilkinson supported, the resolution.

Bro. Sands said he thought they might be sure that definite steps would be taken at the meeting of the Friendly Societies' Association to be held, he believed, the following evening (Friday).

Bro. Hansen moved as an amendment,—"That it be an instruction to the incoming council to confer with the grand officers."

Bro. Richards seconded the amendment. He said he thought the time had arrived when the friendly societies should take some action and assert themselves.

Bro. Steenbhom said that at the present moment so far as direct interest was concerned they had nothing in common with the Friendly Societies' Association. If they waited till that association took action in the matter they might wait too long. He hoped that five gentlemen would be appointed, and that they would consult the Premier on the matter. He thought that Sir George Dibbs, or whoever it was, had done what was practically correct. He did not see that the Government Savings Bank should give any society 3½ per cent., and lose ½ or 1 per cent. on the whole transaction year after year. He thought that the action taken would have the effect of causing the rank and file to be more active and to pick the best men out of the lodges to do the business of the society.

Bro. Volk said that the bank in Barrack-street was not a Government bank at all. It was ruled and regulated by other banks.

The amendment and motion were put, 18 voting for the former and 24 for the latter.

The motion having been carried, a committee of five was, at the instance of Bro. Brown, seconded by Bro. Stidwell, appointed, the members of it being Bros. Herron, Steenbhom, Sands, Somerville, and the mover.

Bro. Steenbhom read the district officers' report and the financial statements. It was shown therein that the income to the funeral fund had been £1878 7s, whilst the expenditure had been £1105 10s, making an addition to this fund on the year's transactions of £772 17s, against £705 11s 1d for 1896. The statement of liabilities and assets indicated assets amounting to £19,080 11s 3d, this being the largest amount yet reached in the history of the district. During the year under review funeral donations amounting to £1070 10s had been paid for 34 members, 7 wives, and 20 children, and two purchases of sick interest amounting to £35 had also been paid. The receipts for the contingent fund amounted to £464 7s 4d, whilst the expenditure had been £513 7s. The numerical strength on September 30 of 4254 showed a decrease of 26 on the preceding year, and an appeal was made to the lodges to make a special effort to induce a larger membership during 1898.

The report and balance-sheets were adopted.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year:—Bro. A. W. Somerville, District Master; Bro. John B. Cattanagh, Deputy Master; Bros. S. Swindell and R. H. Wynne, district trustees; Bro. G. Brown, treasurer; Bro. S. M. Steenbhom, hall secretary; Bros. Easterling and Flowers, auditors.

LAND SETTLEMENT AT DUBBO.

DUBBO, Thursday.

The balloting for settlement leases and homestead selections in Mullah, Burroway, Eurombedah, and Narramine holdings, for which applications were lodged at Dubbo Land Office on the 6th instant, commenced at the lands office yesterday morning. The ballot was conducted in the court-room by Mr. H. B. Copeland (Crown land agent), assisted by Messrs. C. Johnstone and M. E. Murray, of the Land Board Department. The majority of the applicants returned to town to be present at the ballot. The proceedings lasted the whole day, and resulted in the following being successful:—

Settlement Leases.—Mullah holding: A. Maddocks, portion 56, 1823 acres; J. Carter, jun., portion 57, 1765 acres; G. R. Starr, portion 25, 2560 acres; H. J. Samuels, portion 26, 2560 acres; B. Howard, portion 27, 2620 acres.

Settlement Leases.—Eurombedah holding: A. J. Maybury, portion 14, 2560 acres; E. C. Jupson, portion 42, 640 acres; A. Kennedy, portion 43, 2303 acres; J. L. Lynch, portion 44, 2451 acres; J. Aldridge, portion 45, 2339 acres; R. J. Warren, portion 14, 5126 acres. For 10 other farms in this holding the applications were withdrawn before going to ballot, the farms having been already applied for as additional conditional purchases under the 11th section of 1895 Act.

Settlement Leases.—Burraway holding: T. Roberts, portion 41, 2000 acres; A. W. A. Bootle, portion 42, 2000 acres; A. M'Nicholl, portions 9, 22, 34 to 36, 2094 acres; T. Williams, portion 21, 2829 acres; J. F. Sharp, portion 22, 2478 acres; J. Johnston, portion 23, 2700 acres; D. Mullane, portion 24, 2730 acres; A. Cameron, portion 26, 2938 acres; W. E. D'Arcy, portion 27, 3000 acres; D. M'Intyre, portion 29, 2560 acres; C. A. Wright, portion 28, 2560 acres. For one farm on this holding the applications were withdrawn on account of having been previously applied for under the 11th section of 1895 Act.

Homestead Selections.—Narramine holding: A. E. Sullivan, portion 73, 400 acres; W. N. Warren, portion 74, 400 acres; A. E. Prior, portion 75, 550 acres; J. Grant, portion 76, 550 acres; A. Gardiner, portion 77, 702 acres; H. Fenner, portion 78, 600 acres; C. O'Keeffe, portion 79, 640 acres; H. F. Pearce, portion 28, 640 acres; A. E. Hoare, portion 30, 800 acres; W. Carmon, portion 31, 900 acres; A. Barber, portion 32, 1000 acres; W. H. L. Gainsford, portion 33, 1100 acres; W. Kennedy, portion 71, 250 acres; J. G. Knox, portion 72, 250 acres; J. H. Hazell, portion 80, 577 acres; D. Stokes, portion 29, 636½ acres; F. Videlier, portion 36, 1235 acres; W. Hoddinott, portion 37, 1280 acres; O. Preston, portion 38, 1280 acres; E. Cluff, portion 9, 1280 acres; H. J. Drew, portion 10, 1092 acres; G. T. Barden, portion 11, 1275 acres; W. G. H. Gardiner, portion 12, 1280 acres.

Homestead Selections.—Mullah holding: S. J. M'Intyre, portion 10, 644 acres; S. Cowan, portion 11, 647 acres; W. H. Bradley, portion 5, 619 acres; C. Carpenter, portion 12, 576 acres.

THE WEATHER.

For changes of temperature and weather extremes yesterday was peculiar. The early morning was cool, with a nice southerly, which died away before daybreak. Then it became calm and quiet for a few hours, when a nor'-easter set in, and grew in strength to a 15-knot breeze by 9 a.m. This held until noon or until 20 minutes to 2 o'clock, when a very unusual shift in the wind took place. Without any warning whatever the wind came hot from north-west, and so unusual was it that in the water off Dawes Point boats under sail ran into it with no little amazement. For a time it blew fresh and hot, almost an hour, sending the temperature up to 94·7 in the shade at the Observatory. By 2.30 p.m. a hard squall from south, with thunder and some lightning, overpowered for a time the nor'-wester, and a few heavy splashes of rain falling, gave promise of a downpour. No sooner had this happened than the wind jumped back to north-east, and the sky cleared. It was still very sultry and disagreeable when another change came from the west, a scorching wind that blew at from 20 to 25 miles per hour from 4.30 p.m. until late in the evening. The effect of a hot wind blowing at a velocity of 24 miles an hour was felt by man and animal alike. At 6 p.m. word came up the coast of a southerly gale approaching, and this reached Sydney at 8.35 p.m., when the temperature fell to 69·5, a drop of 25 degrees in five hours. The "buster" was a better one than that on Wednesday, reaching a velocity of 69 miles per hour at 8.40 p.m., and an average of 38 miles per hour.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

The weather is very hot. Bush fires are raging in the district.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

There was a remarkable occurrence in the Kensington Handicap run yesterday at the Kensington pony and galloway meeting. By some means Scoria and Lady Lee carried away the complete strands of the starting-machine and, as the field raced past the post for the first time with the two horses and riders both enveloped in the webbing, grave apprehensions were entertained of a serious accident. Fortunately, the jockeys, Cherry and F. Kuhn, were able to clear themselves, but the webbing still remained on the shoulders of both mares, and was flying behind them for a considerable distance as they raced round the course together attached to each other. On the horses returning to the weighing-in enclosure, Scoria and Lady Lee still encumbered with the webbing of the machine, a large section of the public demanded that the race should be run over again, but the start was officially declared to have been a binding one.

The following horses have been withdrawn from events to be run at the meeting at Warwick Farm on Saturday:—Flying Handicap, Blue Vest and Thrift; Warwick Farm Handicap, Australian and Duddington.

Engowra and Moonan Flat race meetings were yesterday granted registration by the A.J.C.

The following scratchings were recorded yesterday in connection with the Anniversary meeting of the Sydney Turf Club:—All engagements, Australian; Lamington Plate, Survivor, Spectator; Challenge Stakes, Nor'-East, Syeria, Alemene, Sailor Boy; Anniversary Handicap, Adoration, Alemene, Attilla.

Mr. H. Oxenham is sending the following team of racehorses to Melbourne on Monday to take part in the Victorian autumn campaign:—Allanah, Alemene, Sailor Boy, Syeria, and Longford.

The programme of pony and galloway races to be run through at Brighton on Monday next will require attention to-day, entries closing with the secretary, Mr. T. Peters, at 5 p.m. Particulars will be found in our business columns.

Canterbury Park pony and galloway races will be held on Friday next. Entries close with the secretary, Mr. W. L. Davis, at 5 p.m. to-day. The programme will be found in our advertising sheets.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Rosebery Park on Tuesday next, entries for the different events closing with the secretary, Mr. E. G. Froom, at 5 p.m. to-day. The card will be found in our business columns.

J. M'Auliffe intends removing his string of racehorses which have been trained at Moorefield to Randwick, where they will in future undergo their preparations.

The Rosebery Park proprietary have fixed on Friday, 11th proximo, as the day on which they will hold a benefit meeting for the widow of the jockey T. Rooke, who was accidentally killed while riding in a race on that course a few months ago.

Entries fall due at 5 p.m. to-day with the secretary, Mr P. O'Mara, for the pony and galloway races to be run at Kensington on Thursday next, and also for the February Handicap, the principal event to be decided at the meeting to be held on the 3rd proximo. Full particulars will be found in our advertising sheets.

Entries close to-day for the Lillie Bridge pony races to be run on Monday and Wednesday nights.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

Lengths of Randwick training tracks:—Course proper, 1 mile 3 furlongs; tan track, 1 mile 2 furlongs and about 33 yards; inside tan track, 1 mile 1 furlong 154 yards; inside grass track, 1 mile 1 furlong 61 yards.

Yesterday morning the course proper was open for use, and every advantage was taken by the trainers of the excellent going. The Scotchman and Beverley were the first couple out, and over a mile and a quarter The Scotchman beat his stable mate by four lengths in 2 minutes 23 seconds. Holster strode easily alongside of Spark at the finish of half a mile, run in 53½ seconds. Jenny Moore put five furlongs to her credit in 1 minute 7¼ seconds, while Adoration and Toreador traversed a mile and a quarter at three-quarter pace. Rifleite beat Ranjitsinhji by four lengths over five furlongs in 1 minute 9 seconds. Warwe ran the last six of seven furlongs in 1 minute 23 seconds, and the whole journey in 1 minute 36 seconds. Amiable jumped away smartly in front of Sayles from the six furlongs post, and gradually increasing her lead was five lengths in front at the end of five furlongs, but, tiring from that point, she allowed Sayles to neck beat her on the post in 1 minutes 20¼ seconds. Whakawatea beat Strathroy and Foliage by two lengths in a run of six furlongs, which he left behind in 1 minute 22½ seconds. Thrift beat Lady Macbeth pointless over six furlongs in 1 minute 21 seconds. The winner, who carried Callinan, went particularly well. Lucky Dog beat Cocos by a length over five furlongs, which he ran in 1 minute 7 seconds, and Ninepins ran six furlongs in 1 minute 24½ seconds. Gunbearer and Nor'-east slipped over half a mile together in 52½ seconds, and Sensation beat Prince Consort over the same journey in 55 seconds. Insulator reversed her form on Tuesday by pulling over Skalewag, Portland, and Influenza over a gallop once round, of which Influenza only went the last eight furlongs, which were run in 2 minutes 25½ seconds, and the full round was accounted for in 2 minutes 39 seconds. Amberite schooled his younger brother, Pelissier, over half a mile in 53 seconds. Admonition put by six furlongs in 1 minute 23 seconds. Blanche Florence beat Rockdove by three lengths over six furlongs in 1 minute 23½ seconds. Countess Aberdeen, after throwing her rider with a good deal of force, ran six furlongs in 1 minute 23 seconds, a journey which took Faraday half a second longer to accomplish. Gozoczar ran six furlongs in 1 minute 25 seconds. The Fola beat War God by three lengths and Mecca by five lengths over six furlongs, which he put past in 1 minute 21½ seconds. Blacklock, Antimony, and P.N., with necks between them, finished seven furlongs in the order written in 1 minute 33 seconds. Syeria did a nice striding six-furlong gallop alone; and Best Shot covered the same distance in 1 minute 24½ seconds. Kalaui beat Vigil, Themia, and Ziska over five furlongs—a journey which Glow ran in 1 minute 8 seconds; and Hempie just equalled Glow's gallop. The Trier, carrying a very light weight, ran a mile and a quarter in 2 minutes 23 seconds; and Mirella easily beat Cravat over the same distance in 2 minutes 20¼ seconds. Telegraph ran five furlongs in 1 minute 7¼ seconds—a distance which took Topsy Turvy and Idyl a second more to run. Holkar got over six furlongs in 1 minute 26 seconds; and Sailor Boy and Longford replied with the same gallop in similar time. Osborne ran five furlongs in 1 minute 8 seconds; and Giril ran six furlongs in 1 minute 21½ seconds. Prince Carbine beat Alemene by a couple of lengths over a mile and a furlong in 2 minutes 7¼ seconds. Flodden and Aurea were on terms at the close of 10 furlongs, run in 2 minutes 22½ seconds. Raven's Plume neck-beat Glendennon over a mile, which she ran in 1 minute 49 seconds. El Norte had more to ray than Peerage over six furlongs in 1 minute 25 seconds. The tan, which was in good going order, was used by Philip and Duddingston for a mile and a quarter gallop, which Philip won very easily in 2 minutes 19 seconds. Carrara lost Dumb Girl in a dash over seven furlongs, which the black horse ran in 1 minute 33 seconds. The Grafter ran a mile and a quarter well in 2 minutes 19 seconds; while Correzette, Ronda, Betsy Prig, Coombewood, Kelso, Golden Star, and a few others did fast work on the bark.

THE BENDIGO JIMMY CASE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Mentone stewards met to-day to further investigate the Bendigo Jimmy case, which had been referred back to them by the V.R.C. committee. The stewards found that there was no reason to alter their decision declaring Jimmy the winner.

BARWON AMATEUR TURF CLUB.

WALGETT, Thursday.

The annual meeting of the Barwon Amateur Turf Club was held last night at the Royal Hotel. The reports were of a satisfactory nature. Officers and a committee for the ensuing year were elected, and a race meeting was fixed for 13th and 14th April.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

Pony and galloway races were held at Kensington yesterday, and were well patronised. The weather was hot and close. The stewards inquired into the running of Colleen in the Novice Handicap and Rigmarole in the Fifteen Hands Handicap, but considered the explanations offered in both instances satisfactory. The following are the results of the racing:—

Novice Handicap (15.0) of 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—A. Tory's ch m Petrel, 4 or 5 years, 8st 12lb (H. Howard), 1; D. Edwards's b m Florrie, aged, 7st 12lb (F. Walton), 2; W. Robson's b g Mat. Sharp, 3 years, 7st (F. Kuhn), 3. Other starters: Colleen, 8st; Kitty S. H., 7st 8lb; Tatouay, 7st; Lolo, 6st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 4 v. Colleen, 3 to 1 v. Mat Sharp, 4 to 1 v. Lolo, 6 to 1 v. Petrel. Won by a neck, a dead heat for second place. Time, 1 minute.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 20 sovs., 5 furlongs.—C. Bryce's blk m Lady Redfern, aged, 8st 7lb (Russell), 1; W. Cheshire's b c Robin, 3 years, 6st 12lb (Crockett), 2; J. Banks's ch m Distigured, 5 years, 8st 8lb (T. Woodgate), 3. Other starters: Clarrie, 9st 10lb; Stormy, 7st 5lb; Kingsborough, 7st 5lb; Cinder, 7st 2lb; Netta, 7st 2lb; Lilac (late Madge), 6st 13lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Lady Redfern, 2 to 1 v. Robin, 3 to 1 v. Disfigured. Won by a length and a half, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1 minute 5¼ seconds.

Fifteen Hands Handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—T. M'Mahon ns br m Churchlight, 5 years, 8st 10lb (J. Duval), 1; James Perry ns b m Vade, 6 years, 7st (Howard), 2; E. Donovan's ch g Benedick, 4 years, 7st 3lb (Whitbread), 3. Other starters: Rigmarole, 7st 2lb; Kitty S. H., 7st 1lb, including 1lb over. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Churchlight, 2 to 1 v. Rigmarole, 3 to 1 v. Vade, 5 to 1 v. Benedick. Won by three-quarters of a length, a length and a quarter between second and third. Time, 58¾ seconds.

Fourteen Hands Handicap of 20 sovs., 5 furlongs.—J. Robertson's ch m Carissima, 5 years, 8st 7lb (Gallimore), 1; J. Stewart's ch m Manzano, 6 years, 7st 2lb (Howard), 2; W. Steele's b m Llama, aged, 8st 3lb (Crockett), 3. Other starters: Geelong, 7st 10lb; Miss Tobin, 7st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v. Geelong, 3 to 1 each v. Llama and Miss Tobin, 5 to 1 v. Carissima, 7 to 1 v. Manzano. Won by half a length, a length and a half between second and third. Time, 1 minute 7¼ seconds.

Fourteen two Welter Handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—T. Ward ns br m Basheb, 4 years, 10st (Hughes), 1; R. Hoy's b or br m Queenbird, aged, 9st 2lb (Thompson), 2; L. Cherry's b f Quartz Crusher, 3 years, 7st 12lb (Marriott), 3. Other starters: Melissa, 9st 3lb; Etheline, 9st 3lb; Meitlura, 8st 4lb; Ringmaster, 7st 8lb; Puzzle, 7st 7lb; Nettle, 7st 7lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Ringmaster, 4 to 1 v. Basheb, 5 to 1 each v. Quartz Crusher and Queenbird, 8 to 1 v. Etheline. Won by a length and a half, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 59½ seconds.

Kensington Handicap (15.0) of 25 sovs., 1 mile.—J. C. Smith's b h Fitzroy, 4 years, 9st (M'Gee), 1; L. Cherry's b m After Ten, 6 years, 7st (Crockett), 2; F. O'Donohue's b or br g Day Dawn, aged, 6st 7lb (Flanagan), 3. Other starters: Satan, 8st 8lb; Wingello, 8st; Lady Lee, 7st 5lb; Scoria, 6st 10lb, including 3lb over; Orville, 6st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 4 on After Ten, 5 to 1 v. Fitzroy, 7 to 1 v. Orville, 8 to 1 each v. Satan and Wingello, 10 to 1 v. Scoria. Won by a length, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1 minute 49½ seconds.

BONG BONG PICNIC RACE CLUB.

FIRST DAY.

MOSS VALE, Thursday.

The Bong Bong Picnic Race Club commenced its annual meeting to-day at the usual trysting place, the Wingecarribee Racecourse, and was favoured with fine weather, though a very strong N.W. wind was blowing all day. The attendance was very fair, though perhaps not so large as at last year's meeting. A great number of visitors from Sydney, Goulburn, and other places arrived here by the trains yesterday to witness the races. The committee and officials of the club are to be highly complimented on the general management and the satisfactory manner in which everything passed off. The scratchings were numerous in the several events, making the fields small. The course was in excellent order, though rather dusty, and some splendid racing was witnessed. Mr. A. D. Badgery acted as judge, Mr. F. A. Badgery as starter, Mr. Frank M. Osborne clerk of course, Dr. Stevenson treasurer, and Mr. M. Forrest secretary, the weighing in being in the hands of Messrs. J. A. Badgery and D. Morrice. Subjoined are the results of the races:—

Trial Stakes, 1¼ mile.—Mr. F. Bloomfield's Review, 11st (owner), 1; Mr. George Osborne's Griddle, 9st 13lb (Mr. W. E. Manning), 2; Mr. Colin Stephen's Bogabilla, 10st 11lb (owner), 3. Won by a length, with Bogabilla three lengths off third. Time, 2 minutes 30 seconds.

Hack Race, 1 mile, weight 10st 13lb.—Mr. F. H. Osborne's Danisle (Mr. J. Osborne), 1; Mr. A. E. Cordeaux's Grey Dawn (Mr. W. E. Manning), 2. Won by about eight lengths. Time, 1 minute 56 seconds.

Bong Bong Cup, 1½ mile.—Mr. Thomas Rutledge's Record, 8st 11lb (Mr. Colin Stephen), 1; Mr. Geo. Osborne's Iron Duke, 11st 1lb (Mr. James Osborne), 2; Mr. Geo. Osborne's Algerian II., 11st 1lb (Mr. W. E. Manning), 3. Mr. P. Osborne's Infanta, 10st 11lb (owner), and Mr. E. M. Betts's Loch Leven, 11st 1lb, also ran. A splendid start was made, and Record cantered in, winning by two lengths without turning a hair, Algerian II. being three lengths away third. Time, 2 minutes 47 seconds.

The shorts, ¾ mile.—Mr. George Osborne's Griddle, 10st 3lb (Mr. W. E. Manning), 1; Mr. Colin Stephen's Peep o' Day, 10st 12lb (owner), 2; Mr. A. E. Cordeaux's Grey Dawn, 10st 12lb (Mr. F. Bloomfield), 3. A neck-and-neck race between the first and second until the last furlong, Griddle then shooting ahead and winning by two lengths. Time, 1 minute 23¾ seconds.

Wingecarribee Plate, 6 furlongs.—Mr. A. Delauret's George, 10st (Mr. F. Bloomfield), 1; Mr. H. M. Osborne's Phoebe, 10st (Mr. W. E. Manning), 2; Mr. H. O. Carter's Revilo, 10st (Mr. P. Osborne), 3. Won by about eight lengths, with Revilo a similar distance away third.

Ladies' Bracelet Handicap, 1 mile and a distance.—Mr. George Osborne's Algerian II. (Mr. W. E. Manning), 1; Mr. Adrian Knox's Aquila (Mr. F. Bloomfield), 2. A neck-and-neck race took place all the way, Algerian II. winning by about half a length. Time, 1 minute 8 seconds.

The club will continue and conclude their meeting to-morrow, and a public holiday has been proclaimed.

CYCLING.

THE FIVE MILES AUSTRALASIAN RECORD.

BROKEN BY PLATT-BETTS.

Yesterday afternoon at the Sydney Cricket Ground track J. Platt-Betts, the English record-breaker, made a successful attempt on his former Australasian record for the five miles standing start. He made the attempt at about 7.20 p.m. There was a nasty north-east wind blowing and his ride under the circumstances is an excellent one. After negotiating a few laps for a breather he took his place for the start. The quint was coming along at a great rate, and when about 100 yards from the start Betts was sent off. He picked the quint up nicely, and the first quarter was ticked off in 32 4-5 seconds, the half was accomplished in 58 seconds, three quarters in 1 minute 23 seconds, and the one mile in 1 minute 50½ seconds. His own record for the standing mile is 1 minute 49 1-5 seconds, so that he was just outside. His figures for the two, three, and four miles were not taken, but he took seconds off his former times for these distances. The full five miles was cut out in 9 minutes 30 seconds, which beats his former record for the distance by no less than 24 2-5 seconds. The world's record for five miles stands to the credit of Stocks at 8 minutes 50 4-5 seconds, so that the Australasian record is just 39 1-5 seconds outside the world's record. The hot wind played great havoc with the record-breaker, and he could hardly speak when he dismounted. After a short spell Betts came out and had a go at the standing mile, but he was outside record at the finish, doing the distance in 1 minute 50 seconds. His five miles ride against the nasty wind was a marvellous one. The first suitable afternoon that is secured will see Platt-Betts land some of the world's records on the cricket ground track. So far he has had very bad luck, the weather being all against record-breaking for the last fortnight.

LEAGUE OF WHEELMEN.

Competitors at country carnivals on Anniversary Day are reminded that acceptance fees for some of the races are due. Those entered for some of the meetings must notify the secretary at once which meeting they intend to compete at, so that the Railway Commissioners and branch secretaries may at once be advised. Meetings are being held at Young, Lithgow, Cudal, Grafton, Cooma, and Goulburn on the holiday.

Word has been received to the effect that R. H. Walne, the champion of Australia at the present time, and holder of the one mile Australasian championship, the Victorian Brassard championship, the M.B.C. Boule d'Or, and numerous other classic events, will be a competitor at the league's March carnival. His presence should add additional interest to the events.

Mr. W. H. Kavanagh, the touring secretary of the league, has issued a circular to all members of the league asking their support in the formation of the league ambulance corps. The first lecture will be given at the league rooms to-night and will be continued every alternate Friday.

CUDAL BRANCH.

The handicaps for the races to be held on Anniversary Day at the carnival promoted by the Cudal branch of the league have been declared as follows:—

Half-mile Maiden Handicap.—W. Wilson, scratch; S. Plowman, 5 yards; J. M'Murtrie, 15; J. Gill, 20; W. Hoffman, 20; S. Garlick, 25; C. Connell, J. Cameron, 25; J. Bartle, 35; D. Cameron, 40; J. Lynch, A. Turner, G. Turner, W. Bursle, 40; H. Luke, D. Plowman, 45; J. Campbell, 50; T. Edwards, 55; W. Cummins, R. Young, 60; A. Sharp, 75; W. Plowman, 95; S. Taylor, 125.

Local Handicap, 2 mile.—S. Turner, A. Turner, scratch; J. Lynch, 10 yards; C. Wren, A. Camptree, 15; R. Young, 20; J. Shields, 30; A. Sharp, 40; D. M'Guines, G. M'Guines, 103; G. Moon, 150; S. Taylor, 200.

DUBBO CYCLING CARNIVAL.

DUBBO, Thursday.

One hundred and thirty-five entries have been received by Mr. P. O'Meara, hon. secretary, Dubbo branch League of Wheelmen, for the cycling events to be competed for on Anniversary Day. The following are the entries and handicaps:—

Ten-mile Western District Championship and Gold Medal valued at £10 10s presented by the Club.—W. Hutchins, J. Henry, H. A. Williams, R. Hobbs, L. Norcombe, W. T. Campbell, G. Williams, R. Carpenter, G. Davidson, F. Kearney, W. Walters.

Dubbo Wheel Race, 2 miles.—Vin Doyle, W. Hutchins, W. T. Campbell, scratch; G. Davidson, 25 yards; J. Henry, H. Williams, 75; G. Hutchins, 80; A. E. Harder, A. Davidson, 85; G. Horder, 100; J. E. Lynes, 125; G. Roth, 140; W. Rich, R. Hobbs, 145; F. Johnson, J. Reynolds, 150; J. Hutchins, W. Ley, A. Josephs, 190; G. E. Ross, 200; F. J. M'Loghlin, 200; H. Lee, 300.

Lap Dash, ¼ mile.—Vin Doyle, W. Hutchins, W. Campbell, scratch; G. Davidson, 5 yards; H. A. Williams, J. Henry, 20; A. Davidson, G. Hutchins, G. Horder, A. E. Horder, 25; A. Williams, 30; R. Hobbs, J. E. Lynch, 35; W. Rich, 40; J. Reynolds, F. Johnson, 45; W. Ley, 50; J. Hutchins, 55; G. E. Ross, 60.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The annual tournament connected with the Blackheath tennis courts was held on Saturday, 15th, and Monday, 17th instant, when a mixed double handicap was played off on the American system. The entries were for nine pairs of players, F. S. Williamson and Miss Elliot (C class) proving winners with 54 out of a possible 72 games. Mrs. A. H. Simpson provided afternoon tea, which was gratefully appreciated. The following gives details of the score:—

F. S. Williamson and Miss Elliot, class C, 54 games.
R. Spier and Miss Salter, class D, 48 games.
R. Cowlishaw and Miss Megget, class B, 45 games.
A. Campbell and Miss E. Cowlishaw, class A, 37 games.
V. Sly and Miss Thom, class B, 32 games.
J. C. Bettington and Miss Cadell, class C, 32 games.
W. Cowlishaw and Miss D. Moore, class A, 31 games.
N. Turton and Miss C. Moore, class E, 26 games.
T. R. Bavin and Miss M. Cowlishaw, class D, 21 games.

ROWING.

Entries for the Anniversary Regatta finally closed yesterday, and can only be considered as rather below the average in number, particularly as to the amateur events. The Senior Fours received but one entry (Glebe), and will therefore fall through after an uninterrupted run of 21 years. The cause of this race not filling is that the class of boats to be used were not available to the clubs which might have found the men. It is a great pity that the chief amateur event of the regatta should be struck out for want of two entries. The Maiden Fours is of less consequence, but that it, too, should have but one entry (Balmain) is to be regretted; and why clubs which have the boats should have failed to get crews is surprising. For the Junior Fours the only entries are from Balmain and Mercantile, whereas at least five crews should have entered. The three four-oared races for maiden, junior, and senior oarsmen are standard fixtures, and have appeared on the programme each year for a long time past. The amateur sculling handicap has four or five entries and should prove a good race. The Maiden Pair-oar Race in working boats has only received three entries—Glebe, Balmain, and University. There should have been quite double this number. Certainly the amateur clubmen have not extended anything near the support which the committee might have expected. To make up for the lack of interest in the amateur events the all-comers have rolled up in force. There are 12 in the best and best handicap race, the limit man having 1 minute start. In the Second-class Handicap there are seven entries, with M'Leish the last man to go. These two events will be great races and full of interest. The Watermen's Race has 18 entries—a great field—and this must prove one of the best races ever rowed by this class of oarsmen. Full entries have been received for the Service Boats, the Sobraon Boys, the Tub Race, and the Aquatic Turnout event. Entries for the Service Boats, the Tub, and the Aquatic Turnout will be taken up to the day of the regatta, as has always been done in other years.

At a meeting of the members of the Victorian Rowing Association held last Monday evening the amateur definition of the V.R.A. was once more brought forward, the country clubs having complained that the rule then in force prevented many men from rowing as amateurs because they were not allowed to enter or compete in athletics where cash prizes were given. It was pointed out that nearly all country sports were for cash prizes, and as the winning of such would debar the local athlete from rowing with the amateurs it was regarded as a hardship and as detrimental to the progress of rowing in the country. The case was put with so much force that the V.R.A. felt compelled to take action so as to prevent a split in the ranks and the formation of a rival body. Many suggestions were made, all having in view the means by which a man could remain an amateur oarsman and still take part in local athletics for money prizes. At the meeting held last Monday there was considerable opposition to the change being made, and it was only carried by 20 to 18 to come to terms with the new party. Mr. G. E. Upward, Mr. W. B. House, Mr. A. B. Sloan, and some others less prominent supported the proposed change, while Mr. A. J. Shepherd, Mr. J. Macfarlane, and some few other well-known amateurs opposed the motions. Eventually it was decided to allow a man to compete for cash prizes; but if he should win he must have the cash paid into the Rowing Association, and this body will issue an order for a trophy of the full value of the money so won. How this will work remains to be seen, but doubts were freely expressed that the rule would be unworkable or in some way successfully evaded. The action taken by Victoria has no direct effect in this or any other colony, but here general regret is felt that the V.R.A. should make rules especially to encourage a class of athletes who have nothing in common with the man who follows sport as a pastime and not as a means of adding something to his income. It is thought here by leading rowing men that matters cannot last long on the present amateur basis of Victoria, and that the bona fide amateurs will not submit to the present semi-professional element being introduced. It seems quite unnatural that a man can compete for money but not take it. The new rule is as follows:—

Regatta Regulation 34—For the purposes of this association an amateur shall mean:—1. Anyone who has never entered for a race advertised as for watermen. 2. Anyone who has not competed in a rowing or sculling race for a stake, money, or entrance fee. 3. Anyone who has not, since December 31, 1896, accepted directly or indirectly an award in money as a competitor in any branch of sport. 4. Anyone who has never earned or partially earned his living by rowing, or taken money either directly or indirectly in recognition of his skill in rowing. 5. Anyone who has never taught, pursued, or assisted in athletic exercises of any kind as a means of livelihood. 6. Anyone who has not been employed in or about boats for money or wages. 7. Anyone who has not competed in a boat race in connection with which a wager or bet is recognised, or who has not been interested in any bet upon the result in which he is a competitor. 8. Anyone who is not or has not been within a period of three years a bookmaker. New clause—(a) For the purpose of section 3 of the preceding regulation, every Victorian amateur oarsman shall, upon entering for any contest in sport for which a money prize is offered, declare himself to be an amateur, and shall, if he be successful, obtain, and when required furnish to the committee of this association, a certificate, signed by at least two of the officers who governed such contest, that a trophy has been awarded to him of the full value of the money prize, such certificate to specify the article awarded as a trophy.

Mr. Lupton then moved an addition to clause (a) to the effect that it be an alternative that the amount of the prize-money may be paid to the association, which shall issue an order for a trophy of the full value of such prize-money. Mr. Clements seconded the motion, which was carried by 24 votes to 14. The meeting then adjourned.

The committee of the Mercantile Rowing Club have decided to hold a rendezvous at Kerosene Bay on Saturday afternoon, leaving the club sheds, Dawes Point, at 2.30. Members and friends are cordially invited.

SAILING.

JOHNSTONE'S BAY SAILING CLUB.

At the last meeting of this club the sub-committee appointed to revise the rules submitted its report, which was adopted. Mr. S. Hordern's new 22-footer Bronzewing V. was added to the club register and will sail her maiden club race in the ocean race on 29th instant. Arrangements were made for next Saturday's dingy races, 10 entries being received in the 14ft race and 7 in the 10-footers. Mr. J. Archer Fitzsimons was appointed to represent the club at Hobart in connection with the Diamond Jubilee Regatta to be held there on the 26th instant, with a view to bringing about racing between the boats of the two colonies.

ANNIVERSARY REGATTA.

Sailing men must not forget that the official numbers supplied by the committee must be carried at the regatta. These numbers will be obtainable at the committee-rooms, Riley's Hotel, this and to-morrow evening.

An interesting eight-footers handicap will take place on Saturday under the Johnstone's Bay Sailing Club rules for a gold medal presented by Messrs. O'Toole Bros., Balmain, over the course starting from White Horse Point at 3 p.m. The handicaps are:—Thistle (J. Thompson), Cyclone (H. Hancox), scratch; Pearlie (Reynolds), Our Boys (C. Fleming), 1 minute; Young Arthur (J. M'Connell), 2 minutes; Verona (J. Geake), Lottie (H. Purcell), Altona (A. Simmonds), Ariel (W. Collins), 3 minutes; Young Portia (S. M'Gregor), Cora (S. Harley), 4 minutes.

SWIMMING.

TEAM FOR NEW ZEALAND.

At a meeting of the Permit and Standing Committee of the New South Wales Swimming Association yesterday evening, Mr. J. Taylor presiding, Messrs. F. C. V. Lane, S. Cavill, and P. Cavill were chosen to represent New South Wales at the Australasian championships to be decided at Christchurch on February 26, March 1 and 2. The championship events are:—100 yards, 440 yards, and polo (first day), mile (second day), and 220 yards, 880 yards, and plunging (third day). Mr. Phillips was appointed manager of the team. It was decided to hold a concert on February 9 to raise funds for the trip. Should the money available be sufficient a fourth man will be sent.

A letter was received from Mr. R. St. Clair, president of the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association (Registered), Auckland, inviting New South Wales swimmers to compete at that place.

In regard to a letter received from Mr. J. J. Blake, secretary of the Melbourne Swimming Club, inviting New South Wales swimmers to compete at the club's meeting on February 5, and expressing the wish that F. C. V. Lane and Cavill and others would take part in the 440 Yards Championship, it was decided to reply that owing to the New Zealand trip the association could not send anyone, but the matter would be brought under the notice of the affiliated clubs.

Permission was given the Fort-street Club to have a 100 yards invitation race at its carnival on March 15.

It was decided to inform the Eastern Suburbs Club that under rule 123 the competitors in a race should be kept a stipulated distance apart in baths of certain dimensions to prevent collisions.

ANNIVERSARY DAY.

RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS.

The Railway Commissioners will provide ample facilities for those desirous of making the most of the forthcoming holiday, every opportunity being given for spending the holiday in the cool highlands if desired, or other pleasure resorts. Cheap excursion trains will leave Sydney on Tuesday, January 25, at 4.40 p.m. for Newcastle and West Maitland, 4.55 p.m. to Newcastle, 4.50 p.m. to Bathurst, 5.25 p.m. to Mount Victoria, 5.15 p.m. for Goulburn, 5.18 p.m. to Picton, 1.30 p.m. to Kiama, 5.30 and 7.30 p.m. to Kiama and Nowra. For the convenience of those who cannot leave town until the morning of the holiday cheap excursion trains will leave Sydney at 7.30 a.m. to Stanwell Park, Wollongong, and stations beyond as far as Nowra, 7.38 a.m. to Wollongong, 8 a.m. to Goulburn, 8.10 a.m. to Mount Victoria, 8.20 a.m. to Eskbank, 8.15 a.m. to Newcastle. On Anniversary Day a special service of trains will also be given on the Milson's Point line; also to and from Hawkesbury, Gosford, Lady Robinson's Beach, Sandringham, Como, and National Park. Cheap excursions to Sydney will leave Orange at 9.20 p.m. on January 25, Nowra at 4.35 a.m., Goulburn at 5 a.m., West Maitland at 5 a.m., and Newcastle at 6 a.m. on January 26. For the accommodation of those wishing to return to Sydney in time for business on Thursday, January 27, special trains will leave Goulburn at 5 a.m., Nowra at 4.35 a.m., Kiama at 5.50 a.m., Mount Victoria at 5.55 and 6.15 a.m., and Gosford at 6.30 a.m.

LANDS OFFICE DAY.

The liberal homestead selection subdivisions upon Towyal, Bannockburn, Murray Downs, and Poon Boon holdings, which became available for application yesterday, were eagerly sought after, the areas being large and conveniently situated. The applications for the day were 21, which brings the number of homestead selections in existence at the present time to the satisfactory total of 2062 for an area of 741,552 acres, with a revenue of £13,650. During the last week tenders have been accepted and sales made of 15 improvement leases, covering an area of 73,447 acres, with a rental of £259. These leases cover lands which necessitate a large expenditure to bring them under profitable occupation, and the conditions attached are such that at the expiration of the lease the lands will generally be suitable for closer settlement. Tenders for six occupation licenses containing 45,690 acres have also been accepted. Yesterday's transactions are briefly as follows:—For homestead selection: At Parkes, 1 block, 927 acres; at Maitland, 1 block, 60 acres; at Cootamundra, 1 block, 320 acres; at Balranald, 7 blocks, 7242 acres; at Burrowa, 1 block, 152 acres; at Forbes, 3 blocks, 1598 acres; at Gosford, 1 block, 72 acres; at Windsor, 1 block, 57 acres; at Inverell, 2 blocks, 644 acres; at Cooma, 1 block, 1208 acres; and at Hillston, 2 blocks, 1600 acres. For settlement lease: At Bingara, 1 farm, containing 2225 acres. Original conditional purchases, nine for 1387 acres; additional conditional purchases, six for 1006 acres; and 15 conditional leases for 8045 acres.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR

The first quarterly rally in connection with the Leichhardt and Annandale Local Union was held in the Presbyterian Church, Leichhardt, on Tuesday evening, 18th instant. The Rev. W. L. Pattison presided over the meeting. The president of the N.S.W.C.E. Union (Rev. W. M. Dill Macky) delivered an address. In the course of his remarks he said that he owed a good deal to the C.E. movement, and that the society had brought new life into his Church, and had also been of much benefit to him personally. Mr. J. M'Dowall (superintendent of missions) also gave a short address, in which he urged the societies represented to form missionary committees, if they had not already done so, and also to compete for a magnificent banner, which is to be presented to the colony which succeeds in doing the greatest work for missions in the present year. Rev. Dr. Porter emphasised the previous addresses, and besought his audience to live near to God, and to try by God's help to lead others to Christ. After the addresses had been given the following societies responded to the roll-call by either a verse of Scripture or a verse of a hymn, viz.:—Annandale Primitive Methodist, Leichhardt Wesleyan, L. Congregational, L. Presbyterian, L. Primitive Methodist, L. Baptist Mission. The following gentlemen were elected as officers of the union for the ensuing year:—President, Rev. W. L. Pattison; vice-presidents, Mr. Boyd and Mr. Bongers; secretary, Mr. A. N. Pidgeon; treasurer, Mr. F. J. Simons.

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MINING INTELLIGENCE.

The Mining market was quiet yesterday, business being more restricted than on Wednesday. There was a sale of Mount Bischoff tin-mining shares at £38 12s 6d. Girilambone Copper realised an improved figure. Silver stocks were entirely neglected. Amongst local gold companies Mount David had business at slightly firmer rates, but Falkner's sold at receding prices. North Phœnix was the only Queensland gold line that had exchange, selling up to 3s 8d. Several Western Australian ventures were dealt in, Associated Gold Mines fetching 88s and 87s, but closing with weaker buyers, sellers holding aloof. At the end of the day Western Australian stocks were generally weaker. Coal companies were without any material change. There were no sales at the afternoon meeting.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.		
Hetton	—	37/6
Newcastle	9/0/	—
Stockton	4/1	4/6
Vale of Clwydd	7/9	8/3
Wallsend	—	20/7/6
Waratah	12/6	17/6
Wickham and Bullock Island	10/	10/3
Ditto, new	4/9	5/3
Ditto, pref., £1 paid	21/6	—
COPPER.		
Girilambone	20/	—
Great Cobar	—	70/
Lake George Mines	—	41/
Lake George Nth. Mines	1/9	1/11
Lake George Proprietary	1/3	1/8
Nth. Nymagee	1/	2/
SILVER. New South Wales.		
Broken Hill Proprietary	40/	42/6
Block 14	24/	27/
Junct. North	21/3	22/6
North Broken	—	8/
North Central	—	7d
B. H. South, paid	9/6	—
Overflow	—	5/
Ditto, con.	2/	—
TASMANIA.		
Crown Lyell	19/6	21/
Ditto, con.	19/6	20/9
GOLD. New South Wales.		
Baker's Creek Consols	—	3/9
Birthday	—	2/3
Ditto, con.	—	1/8
Cobar Great Western	—	4/6
Mount David, paid	2/2	2/2½
Gundarra	—	2/6
Peak Hill	—	2/3
Ditto, con.	—	2/
Sunlight	4/3	—
Victory, Forest Reefs, con.	4/	6/
West Sunlight, paid	2/10	3/1
QUEENSLAND.		
Brilliant Bk., paid	—	20/
Brilliant St. George, pd.	42/	—
Charters Towers Pyrites	11/3	—
Clark's Brilliant, Worcester, &c.	—	7/9
Mt. Morgan	87/	91/
No. 1 North Victory	4/6	5/6
Victoria G.M. Association	7/6	8/
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.		
Associated	80/	—
Brookman's Boulder	—	37/6
Golden Horseshoe	—	95/
Great Boulder Main Reef	32/	35/
Hannan's Block 45	7/	8/
Hannan's Pride of the Valley	1/	—
Ditto, con	4d	—
Kalgoorlie Proprietary	5/4	—
Kalgurli	6/14/	6/15/
Lake View South, pd.	29/	—
Monte Cristo, con.	7d	—
Queensland Menzies, ex div., pd. 10/	11/3	—
Tindall's	—	2/2

The following sales were reported:—Before 'Change—Tin: Mount Bischoff, £38 12s 6d. Morning—Gold: Mount David, paid up, 2s 2½d, 2s 3½d; No. 6 North Phœnix, 3s 6d, 3s 5d; Associated Gold Mines, 88s. Noon—Copper: Girilambone, 20s. Gold: Falkner's, 6s 6d, 6s; No. 6 North Phœnix, 3s 8d; Associated Gold Mines, 87s; Boulder Central, 13s 6d; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 5s 3d; Monte Cristo, contributing, 7d, 6½d, 6½d.

After the last meeting of the Exchange the following sales were reported:—Silver: Mount Lyell, £13 12s. Gold: Kalgurli Gold Mines, £6 14s 3d.

The following telegram from the legal manager of Block 10 S. M. Company, Broken Hill, was posted yesterday on 'Change:—"Concentrating plant of late not having worked up to expectations, directors deem it prudent to reduce dividend for this quarter to 2s, payable February 16. Books close on February 3."

The Australian Tin-mining and Crushing Company, No Liability, Tasmania, started crushing on Saturday, the 8th instant, with 20 heads, working 1½ shift per day, pending additional water being brought in.

Messrs. Leonard Dodds and Co. report the sale of 63 tons 4cwt. of Great Cobar copper at £45 10s per ton for the copper and the usual price for gold and silver contents. A cable received from London yesterday quoted Chili copper bars at £49 10s per ton at three months, market very firm.

An extraordinary meeting of shareholders in the Parkes G.M. and Q.C. Company, N.L., was held yesterday at 70 Pitt-street, to consider a proposal to issue the contributing shares at present held in reserve. It was resolved not at present to issue these shares, but to continue working the mine, and, with this object, all the forfeited shares were taken up to provide the necessary funds.

LAKE GEORGE MINES.

The following is the smelting report of the Lake George Mines, Limited, Captain's Flat, for the month of December, 1897:—Smelted: Sulphide ores, 5174·53 tons; gossan ores, 1199 tons; total, 6373·53 tons. There were produced: Concentrated matte for shipment, 349·84 tons; bullion, 3·45 tons; dross, 0·74 tons, containing together—gold, 702·08oz.; silver, 28,973·35oz.; copper, 114·64 tons. This was equivalent to a recovered value of 37s 2d per ton over the whole tonnage smelted. There were shipped: Concentrated matte, per Nineveh, 139½ tons; ditto, per Port Melbourne, 215¼ tons, besides bullion and dross.

FALKNER'S GOLD-MINING COMPANY.

The thirteenth half-yearly general meeting of shareholders in the Falkner's G.M. Company, Limited, Pambula, was held yesterday afternoon at the company's office, Sydney Arcade, Mr. George Anderson in the chair. The directors' report and balance-sheet were adopted. The balance-sheet showed that the proceeds from bullion during the half-year amounted to £984. The chairman stated that 269 tons of ore had just been treated for 84oz. gold from the battery, with 172 tons tailings, assaying 9dwt. 16gr. per ton; and 94 tons slimes, assaying 12dwt. 4gr. per ton, while the blanketing assayed 7oz. 16dwt per ton. The greater part of the ore treated was taken from ore at grass, which gave an assay value of 16dwt. 17gr. per ton, the rich ore having been selected from it and sold to the Smelting Company of Australia. Therefore the rich ore that has been mined was not included in the crushing.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Mining market is still almost lifeless. To-day's sales and quotations were:—Menzie's Barossa, 3s 3d, 3s 4d, buyer 3s 3d, seller 3s 4d; Associated Gold Mines, 87s 3d, 86s 6d, 87s, buyer 87s, seller 87s 6d; Hannan's Block 45, 7s 6d, 7s 5d, buyer 7s 5d, seller 7s 6d; Boulder Central, 13s, buyer 12s 3d, seller 13s; Boulder Half-mile South 2s 7d, buyer 2s 7d, seller 2s 7d; Brookman's Boulder, 36s 6d, buyer 36s 6d, seller 36s 9d; Boulder North Extended, 6s 6d, 5s 9d, 5s 10d, buyer 5s 10d, seller 6s; Brown Hill Central, 1s 11d, seller 2s; Crœsus Proprietary, 3s 6d, 3s 7d, buyer 3s 4d, seller 3s 7d; Chaffers, 7s 4d, 7s 3d, buyer 7s, seller 7s 3d; Golden Zone, contributing, 4s 6d, buyer 4s 4d, seller 4s 6d; Boulder Main Reef, 34s, 34s 6d, 34s, buyer 34s, seller 34s 6d; Great Boulder No. 1, 22s 9d, buyer 22s 6d, seller 22s 9d; Hannan's Oroya, 21s 9d, 21s 3d, buyer 21s 3d, seller 21s 9d; Imperial Boulder, 3s 11d, 4s 1d, buyer 4s, seller 4s 1d; Ivanhoe South Extended, 7s 8d, 7s 5d, buyer 7s 4d, seller 7s 6d; Ivanhoe Junction, 1s 5d, buyer 1s 4d, seller 1s 6d; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 5s 4d, 5s 5d, buyer 5s 4d; Kalgoorlie Mint, 21s 3d, buyer 2s, seller 21s 3d; Lady Mary South, 6d, buyer 5½d, seller 7d; Lake View Extended, 23s 9d, buyer 22s 9d, seller 23s 6d; Lake View South, paid, 32s, 31s 6d, buyer 31s 3d, seller 31s 9d; North Boulder, 20s 9d, buyer 20s 9d, seller 21s; North Kalgurli, 36s 9d, 36s 3d, buyer 36s, seller 36s 3d; North Norseman, new, 1s 9d, seller 1s 9d; Princess Royal, contributing, 17s 3d, buyer 17s, seller 17s 6d; Slug Hill, proprietary, 1s, buyer 11½d, seller 1s; South Kalgurli, 60s, buyer 59s 6d, seller 60s 6d; Victory United, 6s 9d, buyer 6s 6d, seller 7s; Yerilla, 9½d, 8½d, buyer 8d, seller 9d.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

To-day's Queensland Exchange sales were:—No. 1 Great New Zealand, 8½d.

Brisbane Exchange sales:—Mount Rose and Stockman Junction, 1s 1d; Menzies Lady Sherry, contributing, 6½d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

To-day's Stock Exchange sales and quotations were:—Band of Hope, buyer 24s; ditto, paid, buyer 25s; Bonnie Dundee, buyer 4s, seller 4s 2d; Brilliant Central, buyer 4s 10d; Brilliant, buyer 16s, seller 16s 6d; Brilliant Freehold, buyer 6d, seller 1s; Brilliant St. George United, buyer 41s, seller 44s; Brilliant Extended, seller 8s; ditto, paid, seller 9s 6d; Brilliant Deep Levels, paid, seller 4s 6d; Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, buyer 7s 3d; Craven's Caledonia, N.L., buyer 2s 11d, seller 3s 2d; C. T. Pyrites Company, buyer 11s 6d; Day Dawn Block and Wyndham, buyer 15s 6d, seller 18s 6d; Kelly's Queen Block, buyer 9s 2d, seller 9s 6d, sales 9s 6d; ditto, paid, buyer 10s, seller 11s 9d; Marshall's Queen, buyer 1s 10d, seller 1s 11d, sales 1s 11d, 1s 10½d; ditto, paid, buyer 3s, seller 3s 5d; Millican's Caledonia, N.L., buyer 8d, seller 8½d; Mills's United Gold Mines, buyer 7s 4½d, seller 9s 6d; Moonstone Consols, buyer 4s, seller 4s 3d; Moonstone Extended, P.C., buyer 9½d, seller 10d, sales 10d; New Queen, buyer 6s 7d, seller 5s 8d, sales 5s 8d; North Queen, buyer 9½d, seller 11d; ditto, paid, buyer 2s 5d, seller 3s 6d; Papuan Brilliant and Victory, N.L., buyer 9s 5d, seller 9s 8d; Phœnix, buyer 13s 10d, seller 14s 3d; Queen Cross Reef, buyer 10s 1½d, seller 10s 2½d, sales 10s 1½d, 10s 2d; Queen Central, buyer 2s 6d, seller 2s 6½d, sales 2s 7d, 2s 6½d; Victoria and Queen, buyer 8s, seller 8s 10d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, buyer 2s 11d, seller 2s 11½d, sales 2s 10d, 2s 11d; Victoria G.M. Association, buyer 7s 9d, seller 8s 2d; Victory, buyer 8s 10d, seller 9s 4d.

The Brilliant Block crushed 780 tons of stone for 216oz. gold. Brilliant Freehold crushed 225 tons for 82oz.

GYMPIE, Thursday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports the following sales:—Columbia No. 1 North, 13s 6d, 13s; Crown and Phœnix, 1s 3d; Great Eastern No. 1 North, 2s 9d, 2s 9½d; Great Eastern No. 1 South, 14s 6d; Phœnix No. 5 North, 14s 4d, 14s; Phœnix No. 6 North, 3s 6d, 3s 7d; Golden Pile, 10s; Smithfield and Golden Pile, 14s 6d; Victory No. 2 North, 11½d; Wilmot Extended, 10d.

To-night's quotations:—Columbia and Smithfield, seller 19s 9d, buyer 19s 6d; Great Eastern No. 2 South, seller 38s, buyer 35s; Phœnix No. 4 North, seller 55s, buyer 45s; Victory No. 1 North, contributing, seller 5s 6d, buyer 5s 1d.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

To-day's Stock Exchange sales and quotations were:—Tasmania, buyer £4; North Gold, seller 7s 6d; Oonah, buyer 6s 3d, seller 7s; ditto, paid, buyer 6s 3d; Queen, buyer 6s 3d, seller 6s 9d; Colebrook, buyer 30s, seller 33s; West Colebrook, buyer 2s 1d, seller 2s 9d; Clifton, buyer 4s 3d, seller 4s 6d; Clifton Extended, buyer 8½d, seller 10d; Dora, buyer 9s 6d; Royal Dora, seller 3s; Hercules, buyer 30s, seller 31s 6d; South Dora, buyer 2s 10d, seller 3s 4d; Mount Lyell, buyer £13 5s, seller £14; Central Lyell, buyer 1s 6d; Crown Lyell, seller 20s; ditto, paid, buyer 12s 6d, seller 21s; North Lyell, seller £7 15s; Great Southern, buyer 1s 6d, seller 1s 11d; West Extended, paid, buyer 35s; South Tharsis, seller 25s 6d; Western Tharsis, buyer 2s 6d, seller 4s; Mount Read, buyer 15s, seller 17s 6d; Primrose, buyer 15s 6d, seller 17s 6d; Red Hill, buyer 4s 1d, seller 4s 7d; North Tasmanian Copper, 5s 3d.

ALAN L. GREIG AND CO.,
Member Stock Exchange of Adelaide,
Ware-chambers,
Adelaide, South Australia.—Advt.

HOBART, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales and quotations were:—Clifton, 4s 3d; Colebrook, buyer 30s, seller 32s; Hercules, buyer 29s 6d, seller 30s; Barlen Hercules, buyer 10d, seller 1s 1d; South Hercules, buyer 2s 11d, seller 3s 6d; Mount Black Proprietary, seller 6s 6d; ditto, paid, seller 8s; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 27s, seller 28s; Central Lyell, seller 2s 4d; Mount Reid, buyer 14s; Oonah, buyer 6s 7d, seller 6s 9d; Silver Queen, buyer 5s 11d, seller 6s 9d; Mount Bischoff, buyer £38 5s, seller £39.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

There was a large business in mining companies to-day, principally in Tasmanian ventures. Sales: B. H. Block 10, 70s; B. H. Junction, 34s; North Junction, 21s, 22s; Mount Deddick, £7 10s, £8; Lake George Mines, 40s, 41s; Mount Lyell, £13 5s, £13 11s, £13 9s; Colebrook, 29s; Crown Lyell, 22s 6d, 17s 3d, 17s 9d; Dora Reward, 4s 6d, 4s 1d; Glen Lyell, paid 2s 4d, 2s; Hercules, 30s 6d, 30s; Lake Dora, 20s; Lyell Tharsis, 27s 6d, 27s; Oonah, 15s; Mount Lyell Extended, 27s, 25s; North Lyell Consolidated, 13s 6d, 12s 9d; North Mount Lyell, £7 9s, £7 12s; Prince Lyell, 2s 7½d; Queen Lyell, 4s 6d; Rocky River, 11s 6d; Royal Tharsis, 7s 2d; South Tharsis, 21s 3d, 19s; Tasman Lyell, 71s, 70s; Western Tharsis, 3s 8d, 3s 6d; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 5s 9d; Spring Hill and Central, 27s 3d, 26s; North Prentice, 55s; Shenandoah, 3s 3d; St. Mungo, 26s; Long Tunnel Extended, £23 10s, £23 7s 6d; M'Caul's Reward, 4s 6d; Russell's Reef, 1s 5d; Treasury, 2s.

PAMBULA, Thursday.

Messrs. Behl, M'Kee, Meares, Denham, and Piesley, tributers of the Falkner's North mine, have put on extra hands, having come upon very good stone whilst driving south from their shaft. Gold is reported to be showing in the white quartz, which is a new feature on this field. A fresh discovery is reported by Schreik and party, who have found ore carrying both silver and copper on Box Range, about eight miles west from here. So far the specimens are only of poor quality.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

At the Prince of Wales mine the winze has been sunk to a depth of 81ft. In the old level at 180ft. a rich chute of mineralised ore, consisting of opalised quartz and arsenical pyrites, averaging 12in. wide, has been sunk upon for 34ft. into chute, which is still continuing underfoot. The channel is 6ft. wide, with well-defined walls. Six tons of rich ore have been bagged. A level is being driven south at a depth of 225ft. Klink's New South Wales Company is sinking a winze from the 200ft. level towards the Lighthouse shaft. It shows a 6-in. reef of opalised quartz and pyrites, showing gold freely. Also stoping west from the main shaft in shallow ground on a 15in. reef of honey-combed ironstone and quartz. Fifteen tons of firsts and 40 tons of seconds are paddocked. The Lighthouse mine is crosscutting west at a depth of 490ft. in hard country. The Star of the East main shaft has reached 185ft.

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—

Victoria Reef, Bendigo, January 20, 1s.
New Argus Goldfinding, Bendigo, January 20, 6d.
New Moon, Bendigo, January 20, 6d.
Great Boulder Proprietary, Kalgoorlie, January 24, 6d.
B. H. Proprietary Company, January 26, 1s 6d.
Victory United, W.A., January 27, 6d.
Great Northern Extended, Rutherglen, January 27, 9s.
West Sunlight G. M. Company, Hillgrove, January 27, 3d.
B.H. Proprietary Block 10 Company.—February 16, 2s.

YIELDS.

GOLD.
Brilliant Block, C.T., 788 tons, 216oz.
Brilliant Freehold, C.T., 225 tons, 82oz.
Lake George Mines (December), 702oz.
COPPER.
Lake George Mines (December), 114·64 tons.
SILVER.
British Broken Hill Proprietary (9 days), 8914oz.
Lake George Mines (December), 28,973oz.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Drummoyne.—In the Bourke Ward Mr. Thomas Henley has consented to contest this seat with the retiring representative, Alderman H. J. A. Barron. For Birkenhead Ward the retiring representative will be the Mayor (Alderman G. A. Richards), and he will be opposed by Mr. H. B. Fisher and Mr. Mark Williamson. For this Ward also an extraordinary vacancy has been created by the resignation of Alderman Graves, and for this vacancy Mr. Robert Maders and Mr. A. H. Waterhouse will contest the seat. In the Drummoyne Ward, Alderman A. Loveridge, the retiring alderman, is so far without opposition.

Goulburn.—Candidates—North Ward: Alderman Ayling, Mr. P. K. Clarke, Mr. E. F. Thomas. South Ward: Alderman M'Alister, Mr. W. J. Lyons.

Gunnedah.—The retiring aldermen here are Messrs. A. Jarmain, T. B. Roberts, and G. T. Davidson, and there is an extraordinary vacancy occasioned by the death recently of the late Alderman Cock.

Marrickville.—Mr. David Chenhall, who is contesting the West Ward in the borough of Marrickville, addressed a large meeting of ratepayers from the balcony of Mr. Thornley's store, corner of Livingstone-road and Robert-street, on Wednesday evening. Mr. F. A. Thorpe occupied the chair, and there was an attendance of fully 300 ratepayers. On the motion of Mr. Limburg, seconded by Mr. I. H. Wise, J.P., and supported by Mr. C. J. Danahey, ex M.P., Mr. Chenhall was accorded a unanimous vote of confidence, followed by three cheers.

Moruya.—The retiring aldermen are Messrs. George Luck, James Lamont, and John Buckley. No interest is at present taken in the coming elections.

Mudgee.—The retiring aldermen are Messrs. Bishop, Kellett, and Cameron.

Cudgegong.—The retiring members of the council are Aldermen M'Ewan, Newman, and Lowe.

THE "HAGEY CURE" FOR ALCOHOLISM.

The following letter is one of very many written in connection with the Hagey work. It has only just come to hand, and I think it will be of special interest to the public.

J. Wolfenden.

("Wanganui Chronicle" January 11, 1898.)

To the Editor.

Sir,—Having frequently suffered severely from the effects of the use, or rather the abuse, of alcoholic drinks, I resolved to try and stop the drinking habit altogether. The best receipts from various quarters I tried with some benefit from each, but none proved permanently efficient. Hearing favourably of the success of the "Hagey cure" from disinterested people who had gone through the treatment months ago, and were stout in the principle of its thoroughness and general benefit, I quickly resolved to go through the treatment at the Coy.'s nearest institute, viz., Auckland. I have done so, and with the most satisfactory results. As the subject is not only deeply interesting, but affects the wellbeing of the general community, I trust you will be good enough to give me a little space in your paper to describe the system of cure and its general results. The treatment in this case is altogether different from anything I have ever seen before, and is a dual one. First, after being examined by the doctor, during the cure you are not debarred from drinking when you have the craving for it—you need not suffer—although the less you take the more quickly will the treatment help you. Second, four times a day you receive an injection into one of your arms of an anti-alcoholic liquid, and at the same time you drink a tonic mixture to act on the various organs of the body; and half-time between the injections you drink a little bottleful of the tonic which you get at the time you receive the injection. That is, you receive four injections and drink eight medicines every day, and for the alcohol cure you continue this for twenty-one days at least. As a rule you drink a good deal of whisky, beer, &c., the first day. Everything is new and strange to you, and you want to keep yourself buoyant when starting. The second and third day the injection begins to tell, and you don't think so much of your beer, much less suffices; and if you say I will have a few more drinks, you can. But just here nature steps in and begins to rebel at the combatants inside, she sides with the strongest, the war begins now in earnest. Yes! And you begin to think that the warriors are going to bring everything up but your boots. You will be wise not to try the combat, but let the medicine work quietly to the end. From this time you begin to eat more heartily, and you sort of feel ashamed of your appetite and wonder if the people notice you have had two or three helpings of meat, &c. You hope, too, there's plenty of pudding as you feel as if there was a corner for two want filling up yet. Now the brain begins to clear and the spirits rise, the body is gradually clearing itself, and though you feel weak you know you are getting better. At the end of the treatment the desire for alcohol in any form is gone, and if you drink again it will not be because you crave for it. I stayed over four weeks in Auckland and exchanged experiences with nearly thirty men, some highly educated, all intelligent, rich and poor, old and young, some of them having gone through the treatment more than six months since, and they all agreed that the desire for alcohol had left them, and that there had come to them a consciousness of freedom, together with an accession of mental and bodily power to which they had been strangers for years. Quite 140 have now gone through the treatment in the Auckland district, and the Auckland Company, Limited, have decided to have institutes in Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin. After a lot of persuasion the directors have agreed to try an agency in Wanganui, and will begin almost immediately, probably the beginning of February. These men are not coming as philanthropists, or prohibitionists, or antagonists to moderate drinking, they are coming to see if they can make money by selling a cure for alcoholic and morphia patients. They charge a moderate but profitable price if a sufficient number come and buy, and the buyer receives that which to him is of inestimable value.

I am, &c.,
J. S. THOMSON,
St. Hill-street.

N.B.—I have just been asked the question, "Is there no fear of any injurious effect following the treatment." I put that to Dr. Girdler, the head physician of the Auckland district. He replied, "None; of all the thousands who have passed through the institutes we have had no injurious after effect or death. If anyone dies on our hands it is from some other cause than the alcoholic cure treatment. We have had neither in New Zealand."—J. S. T.—Advt.

FAT STOCK SALES.

THE HOMEBUSH YARDS.

Sheep.—28,945 were yarded, the quality generally being medium to good, while prime sorts were more in evidence than usual. The market opened firm at late rates to the usual attendance of buyers without any material alteration in values, but the demand for better qualities was stronger. The Meat Company operated freely throughout the day, taking a third of the supply, and the effect of this became noticeable after lunch, when prices hardened on to the close, finishing up strong.

Lambs were very plentiful, and lower values had to be accepted. Prime crossbred wethers to 8s 7d, extra to 9s 11d; good, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; prime crossbred ewes to 7s 6d, extra 8s 5d; good, 5s to 6s; prime merino wethers to 8s 6d; good, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; medium, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; prime merino ewes, 6s 10d; good, 4s to 5s; medium, 3s; prime lambs, 7s 4d; good, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; medium, 4s 6d.

Cattle.—818 were yarded, comprising about 320 from north, 200 from south, 200 from west, and 100 from Queensland. The quality generally was below the average, prime sorts being scarce. The market opened to the usual attendance of buyers, and sales dragged on to 6 o'clock, many of the consignments being very mixed. However, competition was good, and prices better throughout, more so for the better classes, closing sales being strong. Prime yards of bullocks to £6 11s, odd beasts to £8 4s; good, £5 10s to £6 10s; medium, £3 10s to £4 10s; prime yards of cows to £4 15s, odd beasts £5 16s; good, £4; medium, £3.

Messrs. Maiden Bros.—159 crossbred wethers for J. Newman at 8s 7d, 59 at 6s 6d, 100 crossbred ewes at 7s 11d, 129 at 5s 11d, 37 at 5s 6d, 60 merino wethers at 5s 4d to 5s 9d; 143 wethers for Hon. B. H. Roberts at 6s 10d to 7s, 53 at 6s 4d; 80 wethers for W. J. Hills at 6s 9d to 6s 11d, 12 at 5s 10d, 42 crossbred wethers at 7s 10d, 27 ewes at 7s, 12 at 6s, 2 merino ewes at 5s 10d, 9 crossbred wethers at 6s; 79 wethers for J. J. Cronin at 6s 11d, 220 at 6s 2d, 13 at 5s 11d; 223 wethers for E. J. Keane at 6s 5d, 99 at 5s 7d; 271 wethers for J. Cleary at 5s 9d to 6s 2d, 64 at 5s 4d, 1 stag at 6s, 202 ewes at 5s 6d; 355 wethers for Bear Bros. at 6s 2d, 62 at 5s 8d; 224 wethers for Baker Bros. at 6s 6d, 23 at 5s, 2 stags at 5s, 49 ewes at 5s; 99 wethers for J. O'Donnell at 6s 6d, 2 ewes at 5s 8d; 46 wethers for J. Seiler at 6s 3d, 34 crossbred wethers at 5s 6d; 231 wethers for Mrs. Ferguson, at 6s 6d to 6s 7d, 51 at 5s 9d, 4 stags at 5s 9d, 2 ewes at 5s 9d; 63 wethers for W. Halliday at 5s 6d, 38 ewes at [illegible]; 16 crossbred ewes for W. H. Porter at 6s 3d; 121 wethers for T. Booth at 5s 11d, 40 at 5s, 3 rams at 5s 2d, 30 ewes at 5s; 141 wethers for N. Walmsley at 5s 8d; 72 wethers for T. Roche at 6s to 6s 1d, 130 at 4s 9d to 5s 1d, 3 ewes at 5s 1d, 1 crossbred wether for J. Lees at 8s 6d, 7 at 6s 7d, 81 at 5s, 31 ewes at 5s 6d, 50 at 4s 3d; 102 wethers for P. Tully at 5s 7d, 134 crossbred wethers (hoggets) for Kruse and Anderson at 5s 11d, 158 crossbred ewes at 5s 8d; 313 ewes for S. J. Barber at 4s 6d, 1 wether at 4s 6d; 74 crossbred wethers for N. Walmsley at 6s 6d; 56 ewes for J. Hawthorne at 4s; 2 lambs for W. J. Hills at 6s 9d, 9 at 5s 9d; 12 lambs for J. Lees at 6s 10d, 24 at 5s 7d to 5s 8d, 1 hogget at 5s 9d; 6 lambs for W. H. Porter at 5s 8d, 40 hoggets at 6s 4d; 52 ewes for Kruse and Anderson at 5s 10d, 37 wether hoggets at 5s 6d; 12 lambs for J. Newman at 6s 1d, 51 at 4s 7d, 1 lamb (shorn) at 3s 8d, 1 hogget at 4s; 29 crossbred hoggets for J. Seiler at 5s 5d; 4 lambs for S. J. Barber at 5s 1d; 13 lambs for T. Booth at 5s 6d; 5 lambs for N. Walmsley at 5s 2d; 2 hoggets for T. Roche at 5s 1d; 4 bullocks for A. D. Middleton at £3 1s, 4 steers at £1 2s, 2 cows at £1 18s, 1 heifer.

Messrs. Henderson Brothers.—71 wethers for G. and C. Hebden at 8s, 148 at 7s 4d, 46 at 7s 1d; 213 wethers for F. H. Mayger at 6s.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—9 bullocks for C. R. Campbell to £6 3s, averaging £5 11s; 1 crossbred wether for W. J. Weir at 10s 6d, 1 at 9s 10d, 4 crossbred ewes at 9s 3d, 140 at 8s 3d, 2 wethers at 10s; 1 crossbred for P. M'Laughlin at 9s 6d, 10 at 7s 1d; 3 crossbred wethers for J. Hogg at 8s 9d, 7 crossbred ewes at 6s 6d, 23 crossbred wethers at 7s 4d, 27 wethers at 5s 1d; 218 wethers for Mrs. M. A. Strickland at 7s 7d to 7s 9d, 456 ewes at 6s 5d; 126 crossbreds for J. and F. M'Evoy at 7s 3d, 125 at 5s 11d, 7 wethers at 6s 3d, 41 ewes at 5s 2d; 100 wethers for H. Ellis at 7s 4d, 260 ewes at 6s 1d, 14 at 4s 11d; 20 crossbred wethers for J. M'Callum at 7s, 33 crossbred ewes at 5s 2d, 6 wethers at 6s, 56 ewes at 5s 1d; 15 crossbred wethers for D. Mackenzie at 6s 10d, 45 crossbred ewes at 6s 6d, 42 ewes at 6s; 286 crossbred ewes for J. S. Vickery at 6s 8d to 6s 11d; 1320 ewes for H. Wallace at 6s 3d to 6s 10d, 3 (crippled) at 5s 6d; 91 crossbred wethers for F. J. Hobson at 6s 7d to 6s 9d, 160 ewes at 5s 9d, 24 wethers at 5s 1d, 29 ewes at 5s; 4 crossbred wethers for J. H. Glasson at 6s 9d, 3 wethers at 5s 11d, 36 ewes at 4s 4d; 4 stags for J. Moore at 6s 8d, 200 wethers at 6s 6d; 261 wethers for A. Kinleside at 6s 4d to 6s 7d, 41 at 5s 5d; 41 ewes for J. Jones at 6s 4d; 305 wethers for P. J. Magennis and Julian Bros. at 6s 3d to 6s 4d, 140 at 5s 9d; 204 wethers for J. Cheney, jun., at 5s 3d to 5s 8d, 110 at 4s 2d, 452 ewes at 4s 7d to 4s 9d; 10 lambs for T. M'Laughlin at 6s 2d, 80 at 6s 4d to 6s 6d, 7 at 5s 4d; 53 lambs for H. Ellis at 7s 2d to 7s 5d, 419 at 6s 2d to 6s 6d, 71 at 5s 8d to 5s 10d; 64 lambs for Mrs. Strickland at 6s 11d to 7s 5d; 50 lambs for J. Jones at 6s 5d to 6s 10d, 21 hoggets at 6s; 51 lambs for W. J. Weir at 6s 8d to 6s 9d; 2 lambs for J. H. Glasson at 6s 5d, 67 hoggets at 5s 6d; 127 lambs for F. J. Hobson at 5s 10d; 5 lambs for J. Cheney, jun., at 5s 9d; 40 lambs for J. Hogg at 5s 5d to 5s 9d; 36 lambs for J. M'Callum at 4s 6d to 4s 9d, 80 at 4s 2d to 4s 4d.

Messrs. Weaver and Perry.—541 wethers for James Gordon at 6s 2d to 6s 4d, 349 at 5s 6d to 5s 7d, 105 at 5s 4d; 21 wethers for J. T. Jeffries at 5s 10d, 15 at 5s, 136 ewes at 4s 8d to 4s 10d, 31 at 4s 4d, 9 crossbreds at 5s 5d, 8 lambs at 6s; 202 wethers for J. Jennings at 5s 6d to 5s 7d; 8 wethers for J. Lees at 5s 4d, 4 ewes at 5s 2d, 5 hoggets at 5s 3d, 17 wethers at 4s 10d, 15 lambs at 4s 5d to 5s 6d; 27 steers for Baby Estate, averaging £3 19s 8d, 6 heifers at £3 1s.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—62 crossbred wethers for James Mitchell at 8s 6d, 548 at 7s 9d to 8s, 48 at 6s 9d, 122 crossbred ewes at 7s 1d, 178 at 6s 6d to 6s 5d, 1 crossbred wether (cripple) at 5s; 142 crossbred wethers for J. Alford at 8s 1d to 8s 2d, 52 at 7s 8d to 7s 10d; 971 wethers for J. S. Edmondson and Co. at 6s 9d to 6s 10d, 86 at 5s 7d; 82 crossbred wethers for J. W. Hillas at 7s 4d, 52 crossbred ewes at 6s 5d, 3 crossbred rams at 6s 5d, 43 wethers at 6s 11d; 28 wethers for Miss A. N. Ryan at 7s 1d, 48 wethers at 5s 5d, 144 ewes at 5s 1d; 2 crossbred rams for D. Carney at 7s, 13 crossbred wethers at 6s 11d, 9 hoggets at 5s 9d, 73 wethers at 5s 8d, 12 ewes at 5s 1d; 19 crossbred ewes for J. Johnson at 6s 6d, 28 hoggets at 4s 2d, 61 ewes at 4s 2d; 25 wethers for E. J. Reardon at 7s 6d, 30 ewes at 5s 4d, 40 rams at 4s 11d; 110 ewes for M. and A. Armour at 5s 2d; 41 wethers for P. Squire at 6s 1d, 43 ewes at 5s 10d; 1292 ewes for F. P. Gibson at 6s 1d to 6s 4d; 200 wethers for N. Powell at 5s, 7 stags at 5s, 85 ewes at 4s 7d, 1 crossbred wether at 7s, 34 hoggets at 5s 5d to 5s 6d; 42 wethers for C. Gurnett at 5s 4d, 50 ewes at 5s 1d; 3 wethers for P. Reardon at 6s 6d, 17 ewes at 5s; 12 ewes for W. T. Badgery at 4s 5d; 35 lambs for W. T. Badgery at 7s, 41 at 5s 6d to 5s 7d; 150 lambs for F. Boreham at 5s 5d to 6s 1d; 1 lamb for E. J. Reardon at 7s; 6 lambs for D. Carney at 5s 9d; 21 lambs for P. Hudson at 5s 1d, 51 (shorn) at 4s 1d to 5s 2d; lambs for J. W. Hillas at 6s 6d; 50 lambs for P. Squire at 6s 4d; 27 lambs for Trustees G. Campbell at 6s, 87 at 5s 5d to 5s 6d; 100 lambs for J. W. Mackay at 4s 5d; 246 lambs (small) for Western agents at 4s 1d to 4s 2d, 215 lambs (culls) at 2s 11d to 3s; 14 bullocks for W. Crowley to £6 5s, averaging £5 13s 7d, 32 cows to £4 2s, averaging £3 14s 3d; 21 bullocks for Mrs. M. A. Perry to £5 12s, averaging £5 3s 10d, 8 cows to £4 2s, averaging £4 1 6s; 4 bullocks for Mrs. T. Healy to £5 19s, averaging £4 17s 9d, 12 cows to £4 14s, averaging £3 18s; 1 bullock for W. H. Ferry at £6 14s; 2 bullocks for executors of Jas. Simpson to £5 5s, averaging £4 17s, 1 cow to £4 3s; 13 bullocks for W. H. Wakelin to £5 10s, averaging £4 17s 3d, 5 cows to £4 7s, averaging £3 12s; 2 cows for D. Caton at £5 10s; 2 cows for J. Caton at £4 15s; for cows for C. Caton to £5 16s, averaging £4 11s 3d; 40 cows and heifers for J. Moloney at £3 5s, averaging £2 13s; 18 bullocks and steers for D. Leahy to £4 7s, averaging £3 8s 2d, 8 cows to £3 5s, averaging £2 18s 6d; 9 bullocks and steers for S. H. Gurner to £3 8s, averaging £3 1s 9d, 4 cows and heifers to £3 1s, averaging £2 18s 3d; 3 cows for A. Gibson at £3 6s, 8 bullocks and steers to £3 2s, averaging £3 0s 3d.

Messrs. Joseph Leeds and Co.—41 crossbred ewes at [illegible] for J. J. M'Nickle at 7s 2d, 56 crossbred ewes at 6s 6d to 6s 9d; 71 ewes (woolly) for J. Sweetnam at 6s 5d, 1 crossbred ram at 6s 9d, 7 crossbred ewes at 5s 10d, 4 merino wethers at 5s 10d, 47 lambs (woolly) at 6s 2d, 12 lambs (shorn) at 5s 7d, 28 lambs (woolly) at 5s 1d; 50 bullocks for W. A. Gardiner, to £6 19s, averaging £5 8s 9d; 9 steers for J. J. M'Nickle, averaging £3 12s, 3 heifers, averaging £3 7s.

Messrs. Warden, Harry Graves and Son.—8 young bullocks for W. G. Taylor to £5 5s, averaging £4 5s 8d, 11 cows to £5 1s, averaging £3 16s 4d, 21 steers to £3 13s, averaging £3 1s, 20 heifers to £3 4s, averaging £2 13s 1d; 57 crossbred wethers for James Bolger at 8s, 69 crossbred ewes at 7s 6d, 15 crossbred wethers at 7s 6d, 194 merino ewes at 7s 4d, 466 at 6s, 25 merino ewes at 5s 5d, 148 merino wethers at 6s 5d to 6s 10d, 10 merino ewes for James Case at 5s, 2 merino wethers at 5s, 75 crossbred lambs at 5s 10d, 22 at 5s 3d, 4 shorn hoggets at 5s.

Messrs. Wilkinson and Lavender.—74 ewes for Western agents at 5s, 23 rams at 5s 6d, 347 ewes at 4s 3d, 1087 ewes for Scottish Australian Investment Company at 5s 7d; 31 hoggets for Western agents at 6s 2d, 7 lambs at 5s 9d, 74 bullocks for F. W. Armitage to £5 14s, averaging £4 10s 9d, 26 cows to £3 7s, averaging £3 2s 7d; 32 bullocks for C. Murphy, to £4 17s, averaging £4 5s; 47 bullocks for J. Donohoe, and 13 cows.

Messrs. H. M. Suttor and Co.—105 ewes for H. Fraser at 5s.

Messrs. J. C. Young and Co.—2 bullocks for W. C. Steel at £5 12s, 7 heifers at £4 8s, 1 steer at £2 19s; 19 bullocks and steers for D. Jurd to £4 11s, averaging £4 2s 6d, 6 cows and heifers averaging £3 4s 4d; 3 bullocks for E. H. Wall at £4, 8 steers at £2 15s, 5 cows and heifers to £3 19s, averaging £3, 3 vealers averaging £1 4s; 31 steers for J. W. Browne at £3 5s, 1 heifer at £2 11s; 122 wethers for J. Whiteman at 5s 6d, 2 crossbred wethers at 8s 4d, 29 crossbred ewes at 7s, 119 ewes at 5s 5d, 14 wethers (culls) at 4s; 15 crossbred wethers for L. H. Wall at 6s 11d, 13 crossbred ewes at 6s 7d, 191 wethers at 6s 5d, 100 wethers (seconds) at 5s 2d, 56 ewes at 5s 2d; 19 crossbred ewes for C. Boyd at 6s 9d, 160 crossbred lambs at 6s 9d, 21 crossbred lambs at 5s 5d; 146 ewes for B. F. Suggs at 4s 1d, 12 lambs from 5s 6d to 5s 7d.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—136 shorn crossbred wethers for J. B. Martin at 9s 6d to 9s 11d, 17 (seconds) at 8s 3d, 38 shorn crossbred ewes at 7s 6d, 17 (seconds) at 7s, 8 merino wethers at 7s, 77 merino ewes at 4s 9d; 41 crossbred wethers for James Mottam at 8s to 8s 5d, 45 crossbred ewes at 6s 9d, 108 merino wethers at 7s 6d to 7s 7d, 60 (seconds) at 6s 10d; 317 merino wethers for W. Bootes at 6s 8d to 7s 1d, 80 (seconds) at 5s 11d to 6s, 116 merino ewes at 5s 8d, 312 merino wethers for Cobb and Co. at 6s 5d to 5s 6d; 37 crossbreds for Philip Kearins at 6s 11d, 207 merino wethers at 6s 6d to 6s 7d, 45 (seconds) at 6s 1d; 8 crossbred ewes for D. M'Donald at 7s 8d, 221 merino wethers at 6s 2d, 14 seconds at 4s 10d; 100 merino wethers for R. M'Lachlan at 6s 1d; 218 merino wethers for G. Maynard at 5s 8d; 49 merino wethers for D. Hannabury at 6s 6d, 251 merino ewes at 4s 8d; 995 merino wethers for D. Leahy at 4s 11d to 5s 1d; 18 crossbred ewes for F. H. Mayger at 7s; 11 merino ewes for F. Parish at 4s; 106 merino wethers for C. Moore at 5s 4d; 160 crossbred ewes for trustees G. Campbell at 5s 8d, 49 (seconds) at 5s 1d; 30 merino wethers and ewes for W. J. Mackay at 5s 5d; 12 merino stags for R. Richardson at 6s 6d, 208 merino wethers at 5s 7d to 5s 4d, 518 merino ewes at 4s 6d; 291 merino wethers for F. Connolly at 4s 10d; 5 crossbred lambs for Philip Kearins at 7s 4d, 5 crossbred lambs for James Mottam at 7s, 11 crossbred hoggets at 6s 6d, 4 lambs at 4s; 10 crossbred hoggets for J. B. Martin at 6s 1d; 11 crossbred lambs for D. M'Donald at 6s 11d, 51 lambs at 5s 5d; 22 lambs for D. Hannabury at 6s 1d; 13 lambs for F. H. Mayger at 6s 3d, 87 at 5s 4d to 5s 6d; 89 lambs for F. Parish at 4s; 15 lambs for Trustees G. Campbell at 6s, 87 at 5s 5d to 5s 8d; 100 lambs for J. W. Mackay at 4s 5d; 246 lambs (small) for Western agents at 4s 1d to 4s 2d, 215 lambs (culls) at 2s 11d to 3s.

THE CITY YARDS.

Fat Calves.—151 calves penned this week, consisting of a fair sprinkling of all qualities. Buyers evinced much more inclination to operate than we have seen for a long time; they attended in full numbers, and, opening out freely, caused brisk competition and an advance of 6s to 7s per head on late low rates to be established, prime quality coming in for most attention. Quotations: Prime and heavy yearlings, 53s to 60s; good, 36s to 45s 6d; prime young vealers, 27s to 33s; good, 23s to 26s; medium light, 20s to 23s; poddies, best to 20s 6d, others from 12s.

Fat Pigs.—With but 1492 pigs penned this week the market has been particularly lively. Once again an intercolonial buyer was in the market, and his presence considerably augmented competition. Porkers especially sold readily at improved values, whilst baconers maintained their late high level. Stores, for which a keen demand exists, are bringing excellent prices, the supplies being considerably short of requirements. Quotations:—Big and heavy back fat pigs, 50s to 65s; an odd beast, £4 12s; prime and heavy baconers, 46s to 52s; good ditto, 40s to 45s; medium, 33s 6d to 38s; light, from 30s; best porkers, 25s; good, 20s to 24s; others, from 17s. Stores: Best, 16s to 20s; good, 11s 6d to 15s; others, from 8s.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery report having sold 30 fat calves, from Marulan, to 27s, averaging 20s 3d; and 6 from Riverstone, averaging 14s 9d. Also 1 pig, from Bergalia, at £4 12s; and sundry other lots at an average of 24s.

Messrs. William Inglis and Son.—Milch cows: The sale this week had a very numerous attendance of buyers, the supply of good cows being insufficient to meet the demand. The market had a firmer tone, especially for any really first-class animals, which were placed at an improvement upon last week's values. On medium and inferior cows, however, the improvement was very slight. There was a fair supply of dry and fat cattle forward, and sales for both were very brisk, the latter comparing favourably with last Monday's values. We quote best cows, £6 10s to £8 10s; good ditto, £4 10s to £6; inferior, £2 to £3 10s. We sold 43 milch cows, £2 2s 6d to £8 10s; 29 dry cows, £1 5s to £2 15s; 27 fat cows, £2 15s to £5 2s. Calves: 35 (Rofe), 12s 6d to 25s 6d; 10 (Maguire), 14s to 25s; 11 (Wilson), 13s 6d to 19s 6d; and 21 in smaller lots, 5s 6d to 16s 6d. Pigs: 43 (Hunter River), 18s to 29s 6d; 30 (Mudgee), 17s to 44s; 80 (Goulburn), 10s 6d to 43s; 40 (Picton), 15s to 29s 6d; 37 (suburban lots), 18s 6d to 45s; 36 store pigs, 5s 6d to 11s 6d.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. report at their Sydney stock saleyards.—Milch cows £2 to £7 7s; dry cows, 12s 6d to £2 3s; fat cows, £2 10s to £4 10s. Fat calves: 17 for Leonon at 13s to 39s 6d; 10 for Coberoft at 7s to 21s; 21 (various) at 8s to 40s each. Fat pigs: 30 for Samuel at 19s to 50s 6d; 30 for Loseby at 24s to 33s; 15 for Egan at 16s to 72s; 15 for Smail at 17s to 28s; 75 (various) at 10s to 30s. Store pigs: 48 for M'Phee at 10s to 17s 6d each.

Messrs. J. C. Young and Co.—56 pigs from the Hunter, making from 19s to 39s; 10 from Oakendale from 24s to 28s 6d; 7 from Ulmarra averaging £1 3s 1d.

Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co.—Sold over 450 pigs, comprising the following lots:—28 from the Clarence River, to £2 15s; 250 by rail, to £2 10s; 101 from the South Coast, to £2 8s 6d; 17 from the Bellinger River, to £2 6s 6d; 23 from the Richmond River, to £2 5s 6d; 12 from the Nambucca River to £2; 44 from the Manning River, to £1 13s 6d; and other small drafts at full rates.

THE SYDNEY WOOL SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association report that wool sales were held to-day (Thursday) at the Wool Exchange, Marquarie-place, when the quantity catalogued totalled 6607 bales, and the sales amounted to 5931 bales, as under:—

Name.	Offered.	Sales. At Auction.	Sales. Privately ex Catalogue.	Sales. Unsatalogued.	Total Sales.
Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited	4,584	3,762	175	—	3,937
The Pastoral Finance Association, Limited	2,023	1,517	374	103	1,994
Total	6,607	5,279	549	103	5,931

To-day's auctions brought the weekly series of sales to a close. Considering this fact the catalogues presented must be regarded as excellent, comprising as they did numerous choice lots in the grease and scoured. Demand from the large attendance of buyers was well distributed and as keen as on any day this season, the bidding rising at times to a most excited pitch. Values showed little if any change from the earlier sales of the week, fair-conditioned greasy fleece and pieces and light scoured wools being distinctly better than a week ago. Medium and faulty wools as well as crossbreds have been practically stationary since the resumption of sales. In the greasy section Frankfield over EH, from Gunning, of fine quality, light in condition, and free from burr, but tender, topped the market, realising 10½d. A further portion of WFT over Terrible Vale, over New England, from Kentucky, sold to 10d, this price being secured for 25 bales wethers, 45 bales wethers making 9½d, and 56 bales hoggets and ewes 9½d. CRB over W over New England, from Wollon, a free wool of good staple and quality, sold to 9d. Goldsworth over V over New England, from Uralla, a fine bright wool, in fair condition, sold to 9½d, the wethers—of very nice quality—being passed in. M over Invergowrie over New England, from Ben Lomond, of good growth, quality, and condition, realised 9d. The leading line of C in triangle over Gininderra, from Queanbeyan, light in condition, bright, and of good quality and growth, realised 8½d; 51 bales combing and clothing of this mark also brought 8½d. A further portion of Wantabadgery over D McD Bros, from Wagga, was disposed of, 42 bales ewes making 8½d. GS in diamond over Blink Bonny over New England, of fine quality, fair length and condition, sold to 8½d, the same price being offered, but not accepted, for the leading line of RJ over Jeir, from Yass. Of J reversed CS over Mount Adrah, a very fine wool, short and free, 51 bales brought 8½d. GCN over New England, of good growth, from Uralla, realised 8½d for ewes and hoggets. IN over NSW, from Bombala, sound, fairly grown, and free, of nice quality and well skirted, sold to 8½d. JBL over Brindley Ville, from Scone, well conditioned and free, was quitted at 8d. Kalangan, from Galong, deep-stapled and sound, but with a few burrs, sold to 8d, 50 bales fleece being passed in at 8½d. L over LC, from Queanbeyan, a soft wool, in light condition, sold to 8½d, as also did 14 bales of Dr over Lyster over Field, from Coolamon. JL in diamond over Hazeldean, from Cooma, sound, of good growth and well classified, made to 7½d. In the scoured section, 17 bales super combing of JL in diamond over Hazeldean, from Cooma, very light, and of good colour, got up in perfect condition by Messrs. Wright and Abbott, brought 15½d. PC, from Louth, fine, light, and bright, sold to 15½d for ewes and 15½d for hoggets. Kalangan, a nice bright wool, well scoured and free from fault, made 14¾d.

The following were among lots sold:—

Greasy: JS over W, from Warialda, 11 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 7¼d; RJ over Jier, from Yass, 8 first clothing wethers and ewes at 8d, 6 second clothing wethers and ewes at 7½d, 39 first pieces at 7¾d; TPW over K, 52 crossbred merinos at 7d, 25 crossbred merinos at 6½d; WFT over Terrible Vale over New England, from Kentucky, 25 wethers at 10d, 45 wethers at 9½d, 56 hoggets and ewes at 9½d; Frankfield over EH, from Gunning, 10 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 10½d; Kalangan, from Galong, 17 B hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 8d; OL, from Gunning, 7 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 8d; CMcLM over Tallisker over New England, from Uralla, 16 wethers at 8d; GS in diamond over Blinkbonney over New England, 12 wethers and ewes at 8½d, 4 A wethers and ewes at 8d; L over LC, from Queanbeyan, 18 at 8½d; BS over ST Creek, from Stuart Town, 85 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 7½d; DR over Lyster over Field, 14 A wethers and ewes at 8½d; —WGB, from Gunnedah, 14 at 8d; TT over Krui, from Idaville, 38 ewes, wethers, and hoggets at 7½d; CRB over W over New England, 15 AA at 9d; HB over New England, from Uralla, 21 hoggets and ewes at 8½d; JBL over Brindley Ville, from Scone, 15 at 8d; IN over NSW, from Bombala, 14 first combing at 7½d, 30 first combing wethers, hoggets, and ewes at 7½d; 22 first clothing at 7½d, 9 first and second combing at 8½d; C in triangle over Gininderra from Queanbeyan, 43 first combing hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 8½d, 5 first combing ewes at 8½d, 6 second combing at 8½d, 40 first clothing at 8½d, 42 first pieces at 7d; EK over A over C over Gininderra, 18 first combing ewes and wethers at 7½d; AW, from Bowning, 40 wethers, ewes, and hoggets at 7½d; Ballyroe over H, from Rockley, 40 at 7½d; DB over TBT, from Young, 76 first pieces at 7½d; Goldsworth over V over New England, from Uralla, 26 first combing ewes at 9½d, 47 clothing at 8½d, 29 second pieces at 6½d; Wantabadgery over D. M'D Bros., from Wagga, 42 first combing ewes at 8½d, 7 first and second combing at 8d, 10 A combing at 8d, 27 B combing at 8d, 125 first pieces ewes and hoggets at 7½d, 58 first pieces wethers, hoggets, and ewes at 7½d; JL in diamond over Hazeldean, from Cooma, 37 first skirts at 6d, 27 A ewes at 7d, 24 B wethers and ewes at 7d; GCN over New England, from Uralla, 22 B ewes at 8½d; H2 over B, from Barraba, 68 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 8d; JCS over Mount Adrah, from Adelong, 51 wethers and ewes at 8½d; M over Invergowrie over New England, 10 ewes at 9d; S. Bros & T, from Bourke, 105 first combing ewes at 8½d; Diamond over B over Dubbo, 11 first combing at 8½d; HM over Tara, from Louth, 42 first hoggets at 5½d, 51 first ewes at 5½d; AC over Byron, from Inverell, 19 hoggets at 7½d, 39 wethers at 7½d, 34 wethers at 7d; JOC over Uriarra, from Queanbeyan, 5 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 8½d; MMP, from Bogan, 61 at 6½d.

Scoured.—Bunna Bunna, from Millie, 50 first pieces ewes at 12½d, 41 first pieces wethers at 11½d; — over PC over —, from Louth, 25 ewes at 15½d, 8 hoggets at 15½d; JL in diamond over Hazeldean, from Cooma, 6 super combing A at 15½d, 17 super combing at 15½d, 37 first combing at 15½d, 27 combing A at 14½d; EJ over Monkside, 36 ex super at 14½d; WaG over Tarod, 26 ex super at 13½d; RP over Bourke, 5 hoggets and wethers at 13½d; Kalangan, 11 combing AAA at 14½d; H in diamond over New England, 5 first at 13½d; — over HG, from Uralla, 4 first combing hoggets at 13½d, 14 first at 13½d.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

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Custom-house.—Entered outwards: January 20, Thermopylae, s., 3711 tons, Captain A. Simpson, for Capetown and London, via ports; Njaal, barque, 549 tons, Captain Hansen, for Liverpool; Ednyfed, ship, 1081 tons, Captain D. Jones, for Valparaiso; Hellas, ship, 1367 tons, Captain E. W. Burkstoff, for Dunkirk; Maranoa, s., 1505 tons, Captain C. Thorne, for Burketown, via ports; Ysabel, s., 524 tons, Captain T. Williams, for Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands and New Hebrides, via Newcastle; Scootra, barque 1507 tons, Captain Harder, for San Francisco.

Captain R. Taplin reports that the steamer Burrawong crossed out the Macleay new entrance at 5 a.m., left Trial Bay with s.s. Macleay in tow (disabled with broken shaft) at 8 a.m., arrived at Sydney at 11 a.m. on the 20th instant. Experienced moderate N.E. winds to Port Stephens, thence light variable and fine weather to arrival.

The Poherna arrived at Launceston from Newcastle on Wednesday afternoon.

The Wakatipu arrived at Wellington from Sydney at 1 p.m. on Thursday.

The barque Royal Tar yesterday arrived from Newcastle at Auckland.

The ship Ednyfed loads at Sydney for Valparaiso.

Captain B. Allen reports that the steamer Oakland left Richmond River at 6 a.m. on the 19th and arrived in Sydney at 3 p.m. on the 20th. Experienced fine N.E. weather.

Captain G. Walker reports that the steamer Allowrie left Eden on the 19th instant at 8.30 a.m., calling at the usual intermediate ports, entered Sydney Heads on the 20th at 10 p.m., and arrived at the company's wharf at 10.45 p.m. Experienced moderate to fresh N.E. winds and fine weather, with easterly swell throughout.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The French mail steamer Caledonien, from Marseilles January 2, left Colombo on the 19th instant at 7 a.m., and will probably arrive at Albany on the 29th instant about 6 a.m.

The Koenigin Luise will move to the Sutherland Dock to-day.

The Lusitania is due on Monday next at this port.

The R.M.S. Duke of Sutherland, for Brisbane, arrived at Aden on the 19th instant.

LUND'S LINE.

The Warrigal left the Cape for Australia on the 13th instant, and the Narrung left London for Australia on the 18th instant, via ports, consigned to Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.

THE ACCIDENT TO THE MACLEAY.

Yesterday forenoon the steamer Burrawong arrived with the Macleay in tow. The latter vessel had broken down her tail shaft. This happened at 2 a.m. on Sunday last when the Macleay was bound to the Richmond River with a full cargo and 60 passengers. At the time the vessel was off Smoky Cape, and the Macleay, under canvas, arrived in Trial Bay at 8 a.m. on Sunday. Immediately the company had their Kallatina on Sunday night alongside the steamer, so that the passengers were that night transhipped, the vessel calling at the Clarence on her way. In order to expedite the transferring of the passengers the company's steamer Pelican was sent. The Rosedale, another of the company's boats, at the time at the Bellinger River, was sent on, and took in the Macleay's cargo to the Richmond River, arriving there at 4 a.m. on Wednesday, so that consignees were put to as little inconvenience as possible in the circumstances. In the meantime the company's Burrawong, then in the Macleay River, left under orders to bring the disabled steamer to Sydney. She took hold of the Macleay at 8.30 a.m. on Wednesday and arrived here at 11 a.m. yesterday. The time occupied by the Burrawong in the tow was 27 hours, or an average of nearly 8 knots, including the southerly blow of Wednesday night. The company's Eureka has been placed in the Bellinger, Nambucca, and Port Macquarie trade while the Macleay's overhaul takes place.

CHARTERS.

Njaal, barque, Sydney to Liverpool—general.
Parkdale, barque, 1283 tons, Sydney to London—wool and general.
Glenlora, barque, 774 tons, Oamaru to London—wool and general.
Laira, barque, 492 tons, Dunedin to London—wool and general.
Sydney Belle, barquentine, 176 tons, Kaipara to Sydney—timber.
Lord of the Isles, schooner, 200 tons, Newcastle to Clarence River—coal; thence to Pieton—hardwood.
M'Near, barque, 1182 tons, Puget Sound to Sydney—timber.
Parkdale, ship, Sydney to London, general.
Mount Carmel, ship, Newcastle to West Coast. Now at Table Bay.

BERTHINGS.

The ship Corolla is to be towed from Jubilee Dock to the stream to-day.

The German mail steamer Koenigin Luise is to be floated into the Sutherland Dock to-day.

The steamer Pondo yesterday came out of Mort's Dock and berthed at the Quay.

The French mail steamer Armand Behic, on arrival from Noumea to-day, is to berthed at the Quay.

More English noblemen are married to colonial than to American heiresses. Since 1860 70 titled Englishmen have married American and 77 have chosen colonial women.

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SHOE BRUSHES, from 1s Set
DISSTON'S 20in. BUTCHERS' SAWS, 4s 3d each
DISSTON'S 22in. BUTCHERS' SAWS, 4s 6d each.
BRASS-CASED TUBING—
4½d, 5½d, 6½d, 8½d, 10d, 1s, 1s 4d, 1s 9d per foot
In quantities to the trade, 57½ per cent. off.
BRASS JACK CHAIN—
Single 10½d, 1s 3d, 1s 9d, 2s 5d, 4s 6d, 6s 9d doz. yds.
Double 1s 3d, 1s 6d, 2s 10d, 4s 6d, 7s 3d, 11s ditto
SASH FASTENERS, Brass Knob, very strong—5s 9d, 6s 9d per doz.
Ditto ditto, Burglar-proof—8s 6d, 9s 3d, 10s 3d
LOUVRE AIR BRICKS, 9 x 6, 13s dozen
BEST RED-LINED 3-PLY BLACK RUBBER GARDEN HOSE, 6s 6d dozen feet
FANCY NAILS, 9d dozen
DRESSING COMBS, 2d each
JAPANESE GOLD PAINT, 7½d
SHAVING BRUSHES, 4d each
SCISSORS, from 3d per pair
AUGITE STOVE MATS, 3d each
GEM SCISSOR SHARPENERS, 9d each
RODGERS'S TABLE KNIVES, from 1s each
Ditto DESSERT ditto, from 10d each
AGATE TEAPOTS, 1s 6d, 1s 11d, 2s 6d each
FANCY CHAIR SEATS, all sizes, 4d each
GENUINE CHRISTY BREAD KNIVES, 1s 2d each
PRINCESS PATTY PANS, 7d dozen
AGATE FISH KETTLES, 7s 6d each
HAIR BRUSHES, 9d each
NICKEL-PLATED HONEY JARS, 1s each
E.P. BUTTER DISHES, 5s 6d, 6s 6d, 7s 6d, 8s up
E.P. BREAKFAST CRUETS, 10s, 11s, 12s 6d, 14s up
E.P. JELLY FRAMES, 8s, 9s, 10s, 12s up
E.P. TOAST RACKS, 5s 6d, 10s up
E.P. JAM SPOONS, Assorted Patterns, Gilt Bowl, 1s 3d each
EGG FRAMES, 4, 5, and 6 cup, 15s up
KNIFE RESTS, Ivory, 11s per pair
Ditto ditto, Pearl, 12s per pair
CLARET JUGS, 8s 6d up
E.P. TEAPOTS, 10s 6d up
COFFEE POTS, 15s up
E.P. CANDLESTICKS, 11s per pair
3-PIECE STAG-HANDLE CARVERS, in cases, 8s up
FISH CARVERS, in cases, 17s 6d, 20s up
JAM SPOONS, 1 pair in case, 7s up
BUTTER KNIVES, 2 in case, Ivory Handle, 8s 6d up
TEA and COFFEE SETS, 4 pieces, 60s up
ENTREE DISHES, 17s 6d up
PURSES, 1s up
HANDKERCHIEF BAGS, 5s up
AMATEUR VYCES, 2s each
ASSORTED RAGLET PLANES, 3s 6d each
REBATE PLANES, 2s each
PADLOCKS, from 6d each
ASSORTED 5in. and 6in. ENGLISH MORTICE LOCKS, Steel Cases, B. Bolts, 2s 1d each
BRONZE HAT and COAT HOOKS, 2s 3d dozen
GRIFFIN'S HACK SAWS, with 1 dozen blades, 3s 6d each
STAR FRET SAW BLADES, 2s 9d gross
26in. HAND SAWS, 2s each
CARPENTERS' BRACES, 10d each
DOMESTIC STOVES, from 47s 6d each
DOVER STOVES, from 27s 6d
BEACONLIGHT STOVES, from 47s 6d
MISTRESS STOVES, from 45s
MANGLES, 24in., 2-roller, 45s each
WRINGERS, from 9s 6d
GO CARTS, from 9s 6d
PERAMBULATORS, from 26s 6d
SOLID LEATHER GUN CASES, 15s to 20s each
CANVAS GUN CASES, 3s, 5s, 7s up
CARTRIDGE BAGS, 2s 6d up
CARTRIDGE BELTS, 3s up
12-BORE LOADED CARTRIDGES, 6s 6d, 7s 6d per 100.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday Evening.

Business in the Stock and Share market to-day was far from active. Movements in prices were only slight. New South Wales 4 per cent Funded Stock continues to move off at 109½—a quotation rather more favourable to the investor than the issue price of the 3 per cent. stock. City of Sydney Bank further recovered 5s. Royal of Queensland were offered at a reduction of 1s, other banks being as before. Australian Joint Stock Bank B deposits advanced 1½d, buying and selling quotations for the A deposits of the bank being published less wide. North Coast Steam were a trifle stronger, Port Jackson offered at 32s, the co-operative debenture shares having a buyer at 15s. In insurance, the shares of the Australian Mutual Fire Company rose 3d, others remaining steady at previous quotations. City of Goulburn Gas were 1s lower, Grafton Gas also selling at a reduction of 3d. North Shore Gas strengthened 3d. Breweries continued steady. In miscellaneous companies, Colonial Sugar advanced ¼. A sale of Fresh Food and Ice at the previous quotation was the only other business.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—At 1 o'clock: New South Wales Funded Stock (Act of 1892) 109½; Bank of New South Wales, 34¼; Grafton Gas, 24s 6d; City of Goulburn Gas, 42s; Fresh Food and Ice, 19s; A.J.S. Bank B deposits, 11s. At 4 o'clock: Colonial Sugar, 28¾. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.
	£	£	£	P.C.			
N.S.W. Funded Stock Act, 1892	2,423,830	...	...	4	109½	109	...
Ditto Act, 1873	530,189	...	...	4	128½	...	130
Ditto, due 1924	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
Ditto, due 1925	...	...	...	3	100	...	...
Ditto Deb., 1902	899,800	...	...	5	110	105	110
Ditto Deb., 1901	...	...	...	...	107½	...	...
Ditto Deb., 1908	...	...	...	...	108¾	...	...
N.Z. Deb., 1913	200,000	...	...	4	106	105	...
Q'land Debentures	...	...	...	4	106½	105	...
Colonial Sugar—Deb., 1914	...	...	...	5	112	110	...
Girilamb'e, 1902	...	...	...	...	...	...	102
BANKS.							
Australian J. S.	1,166,367	10	7½	...	5/	...	8/
City, x d.	240,000	10	8	4	57/6	65/	75/
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	...	57/6	67/6
Com. of Aus. pref	2,117,070	10	10	2	76/	...	...
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000	25	12½	8	22¼	...	22¼
N. S. Wales	1,250,000	20	20	9	34¼	34	34½
Bk. Queensland	412,500	9	5½	2½	...	...	56/
Union	1,500,000	75	25	5	27½	27	27½
DEPOSITS.							
A. J. S. Bank.							
Class A	...	...	...	3	14/3	13/3	13/9
Class B	...	...	...	3	11/	10/10½	11/3
Ditto, Inscribed	891,141	...	...	3½	10/9	9/6	10/3
Com. of Aus., A series, 1898	...	...	...	3	18/	17/3	...
Ditto assets	...	...	...	3	16/	15/6	...
E. S. & A. series	...	...	...	4	15/	14/9	...
Ditto Termi'ble	500,000	...	...	4	18/6	18/6	19/3
Ditto Debentrs.	999,575	...	...	4	16/9	16/3	17/6
Insc., pref.	943,907	...	...	3	...	14/6	...
Ditto, def.	940,921	...	...	3	...	12/6	...
Nat. of Aust.	...	...	...	4½	19/7½	...	...
STEAM.							
Illawarra	88,096	5	3½	8½	6	5½	6¼
N. and H. R.	100,000	1	1	6	17/	16/9	17/2
North Coast	121,745	1	17/6	6	17/	16/6	17/6
N. S. Ferry	60,000	1	1	10	50/	49/	51/
Port Jackson	25,000	50/	25/	...	20/	25/	32/
Ditto Co-op'tive Deb. Shares	...	...	1	...	...	15/	20/
INSURANCE.							
A.M. Fire	25,000	1	5/	22½	20/6	20/9	21/9
City M. Fire	15,000	1	2/	10	3/10	4/3½	4/9
Mer. Mut.	21,250	1	3/6	15½	9/3	9/3	...
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	12½	...	...	...
United	82,500	10	2½	12½	...	93/	97/
Ditto, New	5,725	10	12/6	12½	...	19/	21/
GAS.							
Albury	7,800	...	...	10	14/3	14/	17/
Australian	681,796	6	6	9/	16½	16½	17
City Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	42/	40/	42/
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	24/6	24/3	24/6
Manly	10,000	1	1	7	24/	24/	26/
Ditto, New	5,000	1	10/	7	...	11/6	13/
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	6	18/6	...	19/6
Newcastle	25,128	2	2	12½	37/6	...	...
North Shore	80,000	1	1	6	26/6	26/9	27/6
Ditto, New	10,000	1	10/	6	14/3	14/	15/
BREWERIES.							
Albury	21,000	1	10/	5	...	6/	10/
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...
Australian	96,000	1	1	...	20/	...	9/
Castlemaine and Wood Bros.	250,000	...	1	5	16/	16/	16/3
Marshall's	31,250	10	5/	6	3/7	3/6	3/8
Perkins's	58,333	15	15	10	...	...	...
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	24/3	24/	24/3
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Aarons'	17,500	15	10	5	2/9	2/6	...
Australian Newspaper	...	...	...	...	21/6	24/6	...
B.H.W. Supply	186,500	1	1	10	17/	17/	...
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	8	26/3	...	27/
Ditto	17,500	1	5/	8	...	...	...
Col. Sugar	1,792,000	20	20	10	28¾	28¾	28¾
Dalgety Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	5	...	5½
Emu Bay Railway	100,000	1	1	...	...	...	...
Ditto	150,000	1	10/	...	...	2/3	11/
Emu Gravel	24,000	1	1	2½	...	5/	...
Fresh F'd & Ice	170,000	1	18/	8	19/	...	...
Harrison, Jones, and Devlin	80,000	1	1	8	...	...	...
Ditto	50,000	1	10/	8	11/	...	...
Melbourne T'ms	480,000	1	10/	5	12/3	...	...
Mont de Piete	73,467	1	1	10	34/6	34/3	...
Perm. Trustee	25,000	5	2/6	6	2 2½	2	2 3
Perp. Trustee	25,000	10	5/	6	8/	7/	8/
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	6	...	...	...
Richardson and Wrench	60,000	1	1	4	8/	8/	9/
Shale and Oil	75,000	1	15/	...	2/6	1/6	2/
Silv. Tram	197,816	1	1	40	97/	97/6	99/
Syd. Exch.	30,000	10	10	7	15	14	15½
Syd. Hydr.	75,000	...	1	10	21/6	21/	22/
LAND & BUILD.							
Haymark't Dep	...	...	15/	...	...	11/3	...
Indust. Prov.	80,000	20	20	6	...	19½	20½
Intercolonial	35,000	25	15/	10	12/6	11/6	13/6
Syd. Free L., B., and Inv.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Excelsior Dep.	...	...	...	...	7/1	7/6	...
Federal B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	12/6	...
Syd. & Sub. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	10/
N'castle B. & I.	...	...	...	...	...	9/	13/3

At the annual meeting of the members of the Sydney Stock Exchange, held this afternoon, Mr. L. P. Bain was elected chairman, and Mr. Felix Randle hon. secretary and treasurer. Messrs. J. R. Jones, E. L. Davis, A. L. Mullens, T. J. Thompson, F. S. Hall, and G. S. Buzacott were elected members of committee for ensuing year.

The thirtieth half-yearly report of the North Shore Gas Company to December 31 shows net profits (after allowing for depreciation) amounting to £3029, a balance of £68 from the previous account increasing the total to £3097. Out of this available balance the directors recommended the following appropriations:—A dividend of 3 per cent. for the half-year, free of income tax, payable on the day of meeting, £2700; a further sum to provide for interest on borrowed money to December 31, 1897, £225; payment to officers' fidelity guarantee fund, £50; interest suspense account, £50; leaving a balance to be carried to next half-year of £72.

The twelfth half-yearly report of the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Company shows that, after making deductions for depreciation, insurance, and income and land tax, the available balance at credit of profit and loss amounted to £2627, which the directors recommended to be appropriated as follows:—To dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, £2500, leaving at credit of profit and loss £127. The company's steamships had been fairly employed during the half-year, and were in good working order.

It cannot be said that the results of the opening wool sales of the present series in London have given entire satisfaction to those interested here, for it was expected that the advance would have been more pronounced. Still, the prospects are good. For one thing, only a poor selection was offered, and the rise was greatest in the better qualities, of which it may be expected the later catalogues will contain a larger proportion. Therefore, as the sales progress it may reasonably be hoped that the strength of the market will be well maintained, if it is not increased. Indeed, a better market is reported for the second day of the sale, thus confirming our views of the situation. Competition at the local sales to-day was again exceedingly active at prices fully supporting the advance noticed on Monday. The catalogues comprised 6607 bales, and the quantity sold 5931 bales, including 103 bales not catalogued.

The cable news elsewhere that United States opinion is in favour of the British policy of open ports in China is of course only what might be expected. The Republic has for some time past been pushing its trade with the Eastern Power. Just at present this trade in certain directions is more than usually brisk. Cotton manufactories in the Southern States have been springing up lately, and with cheap labour have been competing briskly with those of the Northern States, and it is even said with those of Lancashire. Some of them have found themselves with surplus goods, for which they are looking outside America for a dumping ground. Intelligence had been received in London to the effect that the Indian Head Cotton Mills, just completed at Cordova, in Alabama, at a cost of £120,000, had concluded a contract for the sale of the entire output for five years, consisting of sheetings and coarse cloths, in China. The purchasers are wealthy brokers in China. It can well be understood that America and China both favour a policy which leaves them to trade freely. And Japan's interests are identical, and entirely opposed to any occupation of the country which would have the effect of closing its ports against her commerce.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, announce that they will offer for auction sale on Tuesday, February 1, the Bobadeen and Ward's Mistake stations, and the Rosedale Colliery.

Low prices are not deterring New Zealand producers from the pursuit of raising and exporting frozen meat. From a compilation by Dalgety and Co., Limited, we gather that for the year 1897 the total export was 153,870,809lb., being 31,000,000lb. in excess of the quantity for 1896, and nearly 26,000,000 more than in 1896, the previous largest year's export. The trade has grown from 1,707,328lb. in 1882. The following table shows the ports of shipment of the meat exported in the six months ended December 31:—

Port.	Mutton. Weight in lbs.	Lamb. Weight in lbs.	Beef. Weight in lbs.
Auckland ...	...	...	...
Gisborne ...	2,538,489	5,447	755,500
Napier ...	7,023,859	126,425	292,478
Waitara ...	131,686	3,817	3,810,571
Wanganui ...	1,178,148	...	32,749
Wellington ...	12,347,970	246,608	1,309,989
Picton ...	265,287	79,538	...
Lyttelton ...	20,063,079	4,197,803	...
Timaru ...	5,247,055	423,020	...
Oamaru ...	706,011	175,977	...
Port Chalmers ...	3,704,575	168,898	...
Bluff ...	6,214,408	569,217	...
	60,030,521	5,980,355	6,111,184
Shipments for half-year, June 30, 1897	43,593,102	36,026,507	2,129,140
Total for 1897 ...	103,623,623	42,006,862	8,240,324
Total for 1896 ...	91,191,185	28,089,333	3,007,300

Canterbury is the principal producing province, Wellington being second.

IMPORT MARKET.

Rather less activity prevailed to-day, or at any rate wholesale transactions were of less magnitude. The country trade, however, continued brisk, in some departments especially so. Wheat ruled quiet, offerings being fairly heavy, while millers operated sparingly. Flour sold well at recently-quoted prices. Sugar remained unaltered, while in tea the trade was not very responsive in the auction rooms. Dried fruits was subject to considerable speculative inquiry, and several thousands of cases of currants and sultanas were taken up in anticipation of higher prices. Recent London cables denote a hardening there, and this means an increase in the laid-down cost. Groceries were freely distributed, while liquors also met with a steady inquiry. Fair business was carried through in tinplates and cement at the recent level of prices. No alteration can be noted in kerosene. A further vessel has been chartered in New York for Australia outside of the regular shippers. This time the vessel's destination is Melbourne. Other oils were quiet, while jute goods and chemicals met with a steady inquiry only.

Breadstuffs.—Prices remained unaltered throughout, wheat selling at 4s for f.a.q., and up to 4s 2d for small lots of prime plump grain. Flour went off freely enough at £10 10s to £10 15s for new and £11 to £11 5s for old in bakers' parcels. As here, so in Melbourne, since the reduction in prices bakers have been booking contracts freely. Growers, however, in the southern colony are firmly holding on to their grain, and are either storing or asking a stiff advance on late rates. "If this movement becomes general," says a Melbourne contemporary, "millers will soon be forced to pay the farmer his price, as their stocks are not sufficient at the moment to anywhere near cover these forward flour sales."

In regard to the Tasmanian grain crops the North-Western Farmers' Association writes:—

Wheat: In our own colony, while reports from the south and midlands are not favourable, there is every indication of fair crops in the north, and a heavy yield on this coast. Prices in Tasmania will be dependent on the final crop estimates, and until these are available the value of new wheat is not likely to be much, if any, over 4s. Oats: . . . While the early crops will probably yield fairly well, and the grain be of good quality, the latter crops are much shorter in the straw, and the grain will probably be very thin. Peas: The crop in Australia is again a comparative failure, while in this colony the prospects are not nearly as encouraging as they were. Values are, to a large extent, dependent on European orders.

Sugar.—Steady sales were effected at unaltered prices.

Tea.—Nothing of consequence transpired privately.

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. offered to-day 1361 packages of Foochow teas on account of Mr. R. T. Remington, and 489 Ceylons on account of Messrs. Fraser, Ramsay, and Co. There was the usual attendance of the trade, but bidding was far from brisk, and practically nothing was cleared out of the China catalogue, vendors being indisposed to sacrifice in view of the strong statistical position of the market. The demand, however, seems to lie in teas "for price," very little of which class is now available. Only 250 9lb. boxes of Panyong changed hands at 4s to 5s. The Ceylons were in better request, and the bulk of Messrs. Fraser, Ramsay's catalogue found buyers at up to 8½d per lb. Pekoe souchongs ranged from 5¼d to 6¼d; pekoes, 6¼d to 7¼d; and broken teas from 7½d to 8½d.

Messrs. H. W. Carey and Co. submitted an assorted catalogue of China and Ceylon teas at the Exchange Saleroom this afternoon on account of Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., Gollin and Co., Brown and Co., and other importers, and although there was the usual representative attendance of the trade, as with other catalogues submitted this week, they succeeded in effecting only a partial clearance. Fair competition was evinced for most of the medium and lower grades of Ceylons, but for the finer kinds of orange pekoes and broken orange pekoes there appeared to be no demand at prices anywhere approaching cost, and the major part was consequently withdrawn. For good panyongs also, notwithstanding the very strong statistical position, there was little competition over 5½d, whilst 4½d per lb. was refused for all the common panyongs and kaisows in light weights. Actual sales were—about 250 packages Ceylon, at 5½d for fair pekoe souchongs, 6d to 7½d for fair to good pekoes, and 7¼d to 11d for broken and broken orange pekoes; 229 packages panyong, at 5½d and 6d; 200 quarter-chests panyong buds at 5¼d; and 100 half-chests Macao congou at 5d. We understand from the selling brokers that ¼d to ½d advance on the biddings would have resulted in much larger clearances. The prices realised were about on a par with those current at late auctions.

Groceries.—25 tons of Globe coarse salt sold at 28s 6d, and 50 cases of L. and P.'s half-pint sauce at 10s 10½d.

Dried Fruits.—Speculation was experienced in both sultanas and currants. The former line was bought up at 6d, and holders are now holding for 6½d. For currants which a week or so back were quoted at 4¼d to 4½d holders now ask 4½d to 4¾d, and in some quarters higher prices even are anticipated. Between 2000 and 3000 boxes of sultanas and 500 cases of currants changed hands. Elemes remained quiet at 5½d.

Liquors.—None of the leading lines showed any change in prices. Hennessy's one-star brandy was firm at 35s; three-star at 45s 6d. Key gin, 15-bottle in parcels, 10s 6d; and Lowndes's rum 2s 6d to 2s 7d, according to quantity.

Brewers' Goods.—These articles were in strong request. Twenty tanks of Thompson's malt sold to arrive ex British Isles at 6s 6d, and 35 tanks were disposed of in the aggregate on spot at 6s 9d. Tasmanian hops went at 1s 1d. Choicest Kents were not available, but good, useful grades sold at 1s 2d. Thirty-five bales of Oregon hops changed hands at from 9½d to 10d. The whole of the Mauritius sugar ex Peru has passed out of first hands. Holders ask £20 10s. Fifteen tanks of flaked rice were placed at 6s 6d per bushel, and 9 tons of glucose sold at £16 10s. Isinglass ruled firm at late prices, the tendency of the English market being firm.

Hardware.—Fencing wire sold to arrive at £8 2s 6d and £8 7s 6d, and business was also done to land at a shade higher figures. Barbed wire went at £10 10s for forward delivery, and £11 5s on spot. I.C. coke tinplates sold at 13s 6d to land. Lightgauge wire nails moved off at 26¼ per cent. off list. Small lots of Alsen's cement changed hands at 10s 3d.

Jute Goods.—Both branbags and cornsacks moved off steadily in small lots at 3s 3d and 4s 3d respectively.

Oils.—Kerosene was quiet at 8½d delivered. Melbourne advices state that the Arethusa has been chartered to carry oil to that port, the charterers being outside the firms usually doing this business. 100 cases of China oil sold at 2s 3d, and 50 cases of turps 2s 1d. It is doubtful whether the latter price could be repeated.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £4199. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £1897; wine, £99; ale, porter, and beer, £498; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £683; sugar and molasses, £10; opium, £146; dried and candied fruits, £239; candles, £24; confectionery, £16; colonial distilled spirits, £30; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £500; excise on beer, £45. Total, £4199.

EXPORT MARKET.

London Tallow Market.—At Wednesday's public auction at the Baltic Rooms, in London, the recent prices were maintained, the offerings being again considerably larger, nearly all of which were cleared to last week's figures. Actual quotations are as follow:—Mutton, fine, at 22s; ditto, medium, at 20s; beef, fine, at 20s 6d; ditto, medium, at 18s 6d per cwt. Since the beginning of November the offerings and sales, together with the prices for medium qualities, range as follow:—

	Offered. Casks.	Sold. Casks.	Med. Mutton.	Med. Beef.
Nov. 3	2750	1475	18s 0d	17s 6d
Nov. 10	1400	1150	18s 0d	17s 6d
Nov. 17	2250	2150	18s 6d	18s 0d
Nov. 24	2325	1675	19s 0d	18s 0d
Dec. 1	1625	1150	19s 6d	18s 3d
Dec. 8	1550	775	20s 0d	19s 6d
Dec. 15	2175	1775	20s 0d	18s 6d
Jan. 5	1675	1500	20s 0d	18s 6d
Jan. 12	2250	1150	20s 0d	18s 6d
Jan. 19	2725	2525	20s 0d	18s 6d

The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, report the receipt of the following message, dated 19th instant, from their London office:—"Tallow is in good demand. Medium tallow has advanced 3d per cwt. since last report. Australian fine mutton tallow is worth 21s 6d per cwt."

London Wool Sales.—The following private cables have been received:—

By Dalgety and Company, Limited.—The first series of sales opened to-day with a very poor selection of wool. Large attendance of buyers, and animated competition. As compared with closing rates of last series, prices are on the average par to 5 per cent. higher for merinos, the advance being chiefly on good qualities. Crossbred wools are unchanged.

By Messrs. Winchcombe, Carson, and Co.—The sales opened with large attendance of both home and foreign buyers. Competition is very animated. Prices are, on the average, higher than at close of last series, at par to 5 per cent.

By the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited.—The sales opened at an average advance of ½d per lb. on last series' prices for merino. Crossbred market unchanged. The attendance of both home and foreign buyers is good, and competition by both sections is active. The opening catalogues contained 7500 bales, but was not a representative one. The total quantity available, including wool held over from last sales, is 241,000 bales, 70,000 bales of which have been forwarded to the manufacturing districts direct.

By John Bridge and Co., Limited.—Sales have opened with a large attendance of buyers from all parts, competition being active. Only a moderate selection was offered, and prices as compared with the closing rates of last series are 5 per cent. higher.

By the Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia, Limited.—The wool sales opened here this evening with a full attendance of buyers and keen competition. Prices may be quoted at from par to 5 per cent. higher as compared with the previous series' closing rates. Total quantity available, 171,000 bales, including old stocks.

By Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, from Messrs. Sanderson, Murray, and Co.—Sales opened to-day with large attendance of buyers and brisk competition. Compared with December closing rates merinos range from par to 5 per cent. advance, while crossbreds remain unchanged. Poor selection offering.

By Messrs. Campbell, Nimmo, and Wylie.—The sales opened with spirit, full attendance of buyers, competition active at an average advance of par to 5 per cent. The advance is chiefly on merino wools.

By the Pastoral Finance Association, Limited.—"Prices all round are firm at from late rates to an advance of 5 per cent."

By the Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited.—"Sales opened, large attendance all parts, biddings brisk, demand good. Compared closing rates, last series; prices for merinos are from par to 5 per cent. higher. Crossbreds unchanged. Poor catalogues offered."

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 726 bales of wool were manifested, 464 arrived coastwise, and 611 bales were received by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

TALLOW SALES.

At the weekly auction of tallow 2325 casks were offered and 2025 sold. Prices remained unchanged.

SILVER.

Bar silver is quoted at 2s 2 1-16d per ounce standard.

AMERICAN VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The American visible supply of wheat according to "Bradstreet's" is 52,680,000 bushels, against 51,311,000 bushels last week and 71,600,000 bushels last year.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

There is a fairly firm tone in the wheat market, and on the whole there does not seem to be more grain offering than could be absorbed by the millers. Business is slow, however, and supplies are being obtained on the basis of 4s 5d to 4s 5½d at Port Adelaide, and 4s 4d at the outports. There is no alteration to report in the price of flour, which is quoted at £12 10s for old, and £10 10s to £11 for new. In some instances 1s and slightly over is being obtained for bran and pollard.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The third of this season's wool sales was held at Wellington to-day. About 5200 bales were catalogued. There was a good attendance of buyers, and prices showed an improvement on the sales, the top price for good greasy crossbred being 7½d. Rough wools brought from 5½d to 6d. Lambs' wool was sought after, but at low prices.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A fair business was done in wheat at 4s 7½d to 4s 8d, and the market closes very firm at 4s 8d. Bran, 9½d to 10d. A fair business was done in medium to good barley at 4s 6d to 5s. Cape barley, 2s 9d to 3s. Algerian oats, 1s 7d to 1s 10d. Maize is quiet at 3s to 3s 0½d. Chaff, £3 to £3 2s 6d; prime green, £3 5s. Warrnambool potatoes, £4 5s to £4 10s. Colac, £4 15s to £5. Onions, £2 10s to £2 15s. 180 packages Ceylon tea sold at 6d to 6½d. Currants are firm at 5¼d to 5½d. Sultanas, 7½d.

On the Stock Exchange to-day full late prices ruled for the leading investment stocks, but the business transacted was only of very moderate extent. Sales: Victoria 4 per cent. debentures, £109; ditto 3 per cent. stock, £101 10s; Metropolitan Board of Works 4 per cents, £105; National Bank deposit receipts, 20s; Victoria Bank preference shares, £10 13s; Brighton Gas, 21s 6d; Trustees, Executors, and Agency, 9s; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, 12s; Silverton Tramway, 97s; Metropolitan Gas Company's 4 per cent. (1924), £105.

PRODUCE INWARD.

HOBART, Thursday.

The Tambo, for Sydney, took the following cargo:—542 cases 448 half-cases 69 casks 460 cases pulp fruit, 320 bales wool and skins, 56 bags malt, 10 bags moss, 18 packages timber, 14 packages palings, 7 bales hops, 1951 bags silver ore, 5 bags maize, and sundries.

DAIRY NEWS.

BALLINA, Thursday.

The Brooklet Dairy Factory for the month ended December 20 treated 44,905 gallons of milk, and sold 17,952lb. of butter. The total receipts for the same amounted to £549. After deducting the working expenses suppliers were paid 2¼d per gallon for milk. The Woodburn Dairy Factory for the month ended December 21 treated 14,409 gallons milk, suppliers being paid at the rate of 3d per gallon for the same. The milk of this factory was treated at Foley Brothers' Creamery at Lismore.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Thursday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Continued inactivity characterised business in general produce to-day. The most important change in prices was a further heavy decline in potatoes, local and Melbourne sorts being most affected. The position of the market for maize was decidedly in buyers' favour, prices being weaker, with the inquiry rather slack. Oats were scarce, and in good request at firm prices. Both bran and pollard were in steady demand at late rates. Prime chaff had a moderate amount of attention, other qualities being rather slow. Plentiful supplies of lucerne were under offer, for which the inquiry was dull at quotations. At auction there was practically no competition for potatoes. Prices in consequence suffered a heavy decline, prime samples being sold at 3s 6d to 4s 3d; special lots made as high as 6s per cwt. Melbourne tubers were more or less neglected, at extremely low prices. Circulars, however, only declined about 10s per ton. Onions had a slow sale at rates. In dairy produce nothing of moment transpired, business being quiet, and prices without change.

FEED-GRAINS MARKET.

Maize.—Quiet demand. Prime quoted at 3s 2d; other qualities up to 3s 2d per bushel.

Oats.—New Zealand prime feed, 2s 6d; medium, 2s 4d to 2s 5d per bushel.

Barley.—Cape barley, 2s 7d to 2s 8d. English prime 3s 3d per bushel.

Peas.—Blue, 5s; grey, 3s 6d to 3s 9d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Primest to 3s 3d; second-class, 2s 10d to 3s per bushel.

BREADSTUFFS.

Leading roller brands, old £11 to £11 5s, new £10 10s to £10 15s; new wheat, association price, 4s; prime samples realised to 4s 2d.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran was quiet, pollard being in steady demand at quotations. Bran was quoted at 7½ to 7¾d, and pollard 8½d to 9d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime new, £4 to £4 2s 6d; medium, £3 5s to £3 10s per ton.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed, £2 5s; imported, £2 2s 6d; local bundled, £2 to £2 5s per ton.

Lucerne.—Plentiful. Fair quality, to £2; prime green, £2 2s 6d; railway prime, in trusses, £2 to £2 5s per ton.

Chaff.—Imported, £3 10s to £3 15s; prime, £4. Local: Prime, £4 to £4 5s; special green, £4 10s; medium samples, £3 5s to £3 15s per ton.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian Circulars: Prime, £8 10s. Local: prime, £3 10s to £4 5s; special lots, £6; medium, £2 15s to £3 5s; Melbourne, Early Rose, £2 to £3; Warrnambool, £4 to £4 10s per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Honey.—Plentiful. Slow sale. Garden honey, choice 2½d, second-class quality, 2d per lb.

Beeswax.—Choice, 1s per lb.

Onions.—Melbourne, £2 15s to £3 per ton.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 5d to 5½d; bulk 4½d per lb.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Bacon and Hams.—Moderate demand. Mild-cured, 7¾d; hand-cured, prime, 7½d; second-class 7d; farmers', 6d to 6½d; middles, 8½d; Bodalla sides, 7½d; flitches, 7d; middles, 8½d; Barnes's "B in circle," 7½d; M'Lean's bacon, 7½d; local hams, in cloth, 8d to 8½d; very choice, 9d; New Zealand, Queensland, and mild-cured, choice, 9d; English, 10d per lb.

Butter.—Finest creamery, 7½d; factory, 6½d to 7d. South Coast quote choice creamery 7½d, Berry Creamery 7½d, Foley Brothers' Creamery 7½d per lb.

Eggs.—North, 9d; South, 9d per dozen.

Cheese.—Prime loaf, 5d to 5½d; Cheddar, 5d to 5½d; large, 4½d to 5d; Bodalla cheese, 5d; New Zealand, large 4½d, medium 5d; loaf, 5½d per lb.

Poultry.—Good demand. Old fowls, 2s 6d to 2s 9d; young roosters, 2s 6d to 4s; prime, 4s 6d; ducks, 2s 3d to 2s 9d; prime, 3s to 3s 6d; Muscovy ducks, 3s to 4s, young 4s 6d; geese, 4s 6d to 5s 6d; turkeys, cocks 10s to 14s, hens 5s to 6s 6d per pair.

THE WOOD MARKET.

Moderate supply. Good demand. Firewood, good 10s 6d to 12s; rough 8s to 9s 6d; bundles, good, 10s 6d to 11s 6d; inferior, 7s 6d to 9s; billet, good 8s to 9s 6d; inferior, 5s 6d to 7s 6d; bakers' split, good, 8s to 10s; large green, 8s 6d to 9s per ton.

REDFERN SALE.

A plentiful supply of produce was submitted at auction this morning. The demand throughout the sale was rather quiet, especially for potatoes, which suffered a heavy decline in prices. Prime chaff had steady sale at 4s to 4s 6d and medium samples at 3s 3d to 3s 9d per cwt. Lucerne hay was in moderate request at 2s to 2s 9d per cwt. The inquiry for oaten hay continued slack. Good medium found a buyer at 3s 7d and inferior at 2s 4d per cwt. Wheaten sheaves sold steadily at 2s 9d to 2s 11d per cwt. Bran made 7¾d and inferior maize 3s per bushel. The competition for potatoes was extremely dull, even at a heavy reduction on yesterday's prices. Prime sold at 3s 6d to 4s 3d and medium 2s 9d to 3s 3d. Special lots realised 6s per cwt. Pumpkins had attention at 5s 1d to 6s 8d, watermelons being neglected at 2s 7d to 3s per cwt.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 24 trucks; potatoes, 18; sheaves, 2; melons, 1; hay, 2; lucerne, 5; maize, 3; bran, 1; and straw, 2.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Prescott and Co., R. Hall and Son, Dent and Perry, A. M'Arthur and Co., G. Wells, Robinson, Grimes, and Co., J. A. Moore, Inglis and Son, S. B. Bond, J. Campbell, H. M. Suttor and Co., John W. Gray and Co., Heaton Brothers, Benjamin and Son, Robert Little and Co., South Coast Company, Ellis and Co., and John Bridge and Co.

Supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From Bodie, Wallendbeen, (truck No. 6774) 3s 8d; Mathews, Eumalogo, (806) 4s 2d, Hoolahan, Cargo-road, (2346) passed; Lynam, Gunnain, (7241) 4s 5d, (x305) 4s 6d; Corby, Wallendbeen, (4496) 3s 6d; Henderson, Nubba, (6297) 3s 6d; Davison, Baglan, (5698) 3s 1d; Hamer, Newbridge, (1094) 4s 2d; Stakes, Cowra, (5385) 3s 10d; Buchanan and Black, Nubba, (8299) 3s 6d; Smith, Penrith, (8136) 1s 11d; Towri Estate, Mary Vale, (8449) 4s 5d; A'Beckett, (3695, 435, and 1166) 3s 9d; Hall, Coolamon, (1436) 4s 3d; Veitch, (5976) 3s 9d; Blatch, Junee, (4006) 3s 4d; Humphries, (8300) 4s; Smith, Wallendbeen, (2025) 3s 6d; Dixon, Windsor, (1026) 3s 4d; Kennedy, (9263) passed, (7798) 3s 5d, and part 3s 9d per cwt.

Rye Straw.—From Farlow, Windsor, (842) 2s 4d per cwt.

Hay.—From Graham, Penrith, (8128) 2s 4d; White, Camden, (5823) 3s 7d per cwt.

Wheaten Sheaves.—From Brown, Mulgrave, (3348) 2s 11d, (2028) 2s 9d per cwt.

Maize.—From M'Evoy, Gundagai, (5290 and 1146) passed; D. F. Robertson, Glencoe, (10004) 3s per bushel.

Bran.—From Great Western Milling Company, Millthorpe, (1583) 7¾d per bushel.

Lucerne.—From Moylan, West Maitland, (3556) 2s 9d; J. Prendergast, Mulgrave, (6216) passed; Stubbs, (642) 2s 2d, and straw 2s 1d; Bowd, (799) passed; Norris, Windsor, (4743) 2s 3d per cwt.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed: From Mack and Austin, Narromine, (2264) passed.

Potatoes.—From Armidale, (2159) 38 bags branded WH 3s 6d; Mulgrave, (3818) 13 GJ 4s 2d, 16 TR 3s 11d, 11 JC 3s 5d, 13 TK passed, 13 JY passed, 16 JDS 3s 4d; (4593) 15 C 3s 2d, 16 WS 3s, 20 J 3s 8d, 16 Z 3s 8d; (9480) 14 IH 3s 9d, 5 OH 2s 5d, 20 WIL 3s 8d, 8 IFB 4s 1d, 12 AA 2s 10d, 16 AJ 3s 8d; (644) 27 IXL 3s 6d, 14 JJ 4s 1d, 13 A passed, 15 WC 3s 3d; (2346) 18 CY 4s, 24, 32 3s 11d, 19 PV passed, TM 1s 5d, 16 SJ 3s 6d, 15 JD 4s 3d; Windsor, (1292) JKR 3s 7d, 10 JER 3s 5d, 17 JB 3s 1d, 13 AG 2s 5d, 6 D 3s 5d; (2615) 13 JT 3s 6d, 17 AT 2s 9d; (2304) 27 WT 3s 4d; (3052) 8 R 3s 7d, 18 R 3s 6d, 13 AX passed, 12 BG 3s 8d, 5 O 2s 8d, 8 S 3s 4d; Richmond, (3022) 10 JL 3s 2d, 4 MW 3s 9d, 12 OK 3s, 5 O 3s, 4 X 1s 6d; (1834) 6 TAH 3s 2d; West Maitland, (4365) 12 WG 5s, 5 P 4s 7d, 12 WT 4s; Armidale, (918) 72 M 4s; (7373) 68 B 3s 11d; (x138) 73 B 3s 2d; Ben Lomond, (3168) 46 P 3s 6d, 24 H 3s 9d; Mittagong, (7127) 13 AP 6s, 4 P 7s 2d, 10 JR 6s 11d, 11 E 6s per cwt.

Pumpkins.—From Dean, Windsor, (2615) 5s 1d; J. Shields, Richmond, (1834) 6s 8d per dozen.

Watermelons.—From Parker, Richmond, (1834) 2s 7d; Rees, Penrith, (2302) 3s; Anderson, 1s 9d per dozen.

FRUIT MARKET.

Fair supplies of most descriptions of fruit were under offer at the Bathurst-street Markets this morning. The demand continued rather quiet, the only important change in prices being a further fall in grapes.

Current quotations were:—

Lemons.—Local, green prime 4s to 4s 6d, coloured large rough and small 3s 6d, good 4s to 4s 6d, choice 5s per gincase; Italian, 8s per half-case; Italian, 16s per double-case.

Oranges.—Rough-pulled, 6s to 10s; medium to prime, 12s to 14s; choice thinskinned, 15s to 20s; second crop, 4s to 7s; prime, 8s per case; Italian, 10s per single and 20s per double case.

Pines.—Common, 1s to 4s 6d; Queens, choice, 5s to 5s 6d per case.

Grapes.—Plentiful. White, 1s 6d to 2s; choice 3s 6d per case; Black Hamburg, 1d to 1½d; Golden Champion, 2d to 3d; muscatels, 2d to 4d; choice, 5d per lb.

Peaches.—White peaches, 3s to 5s; red, small, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; good, 5s to 6s a gincase; slipstones, 3s 6d to 4s; clingstones, 3s to 3s 6d; Shanghai, 2s 6d to 3s per half-case; Crawford, 3s to 5s a gincase.

Plums.—Lutherborough, 3s 6d to 5s; Diamond, 6s to 8s a gincase; Japanese plums, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; blood plums, 3s to 4s; green gage, 2s 6d to 3s per half-case; Hobart plums, 2s 9d; Melbourne, to 2s 6d per quarter-case.

VEGETABLE MARKET.

Only a moderate supply was under offer at the Belmore Markets, for which the demand continued brisk. Prices generally underwent little or no quotable change.

Quotations were as under:—Cabbages, 1s to 1s 6d, medium 2s to 2s 6d, prime 3s to 3s 6d per dozen; peas, local, prime 5s; French beans, 1s 6d to 2s per bushel; asparagus, 6s to 8s; horseradish, 6s to 8s; beetroot, 1s; mint, 9d to 1s; spinach, 1s; eschalots, 1s; leeks, 1s; white turnips, 1s to 1s 6d; parsnips, 1s to 1s 6d; rhubarb, 1s to 2s; watercress, 1s to 1s 6d; celery, 1s 6d to 3s; radishes, 4d to 6d; carrots, 10d to 1s 2d; herbs, 1s per dozen bunches; lettuce, 6d to 9d; kidney potatoes, 3s; Early Rose, 3s per quarter; green stuff, 4d to 6d; horse carrots, 4d to 6d per dozen bunches; vegetable marrows, 1s 3d to 1s 9d; cucumbers, local, 9d to 1s 6d; pumpkins, 3s to 8s per dozen; tomatoes, local 3s 6d to 4s 6d; Chinese 1s 6d to 2s per half-case; chillies, 2s per peck.

HAIR, HORNS, AND BONES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association (the Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, John Bridge and Co., Limited, Campbell, Nimmo, and Wyly, Dalgety and Co., Limited, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, Hill, Clark, and Co., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., J. C. Young and Co.) report:—

Hair, Horns, and Bones.—Supplies were rather light, and with a strong demand from a full attendance of buyers clearances were effected at very firm rates. Horsehair had the advantage of additional competition, and was occasionally a fraction dearer. Shanks had a brisk inquiry on Continental account, and all good lines were readily saleable. Quotations:—Horsehair, 12d to 21d per lb., inferior 2d to 11½d; cowhair, 9d to 12d; stump, 4d to 9½d; shanks, round £5 to £7 15s per ton, flat £4 5s to £4 12s 6d, mixed £4 to £5, inferior £3 10s to £3 12s 6d, sheep at £3 10s; hoofs, £1 10s to £2 10s; knuckles, £2 12s 6d to £2 15s; common bones, at £2 10s; gluepieces, £6 to £14 2s 6d; fleshings, £6 10s to £7 17s 6d; horns, large 20s to 27s 6d per 100, medium 21s to 28s 6d, small to medium 6s to 18s 9d, tips 4s to 5s 6d, perished 1s to 4s 6d; beeswax, 10d to 12d per lb.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited, report.—At the usual sales held yesterday a full attendance of the trade were present, and with brisk competition last week's prices were firmly maintained.

HUNTER RIVER FARMERS' PRODUCE SALES.

The usual weekly sales of Hunter River farmers' produce were held yesterday. Exceptionally large supplies of produce were forward, and the last lots were not cleared till late in the afternoon. The demand was extremely brisk for all sections, and excellent prices were realised. Butter made 4d to 8½d per lb.; eggs, 7½d to 9½d per dozen; bacon, 4½d to 7½d per lb.; cheese, 3½d to 4½d per lb.; hams, 6d to 9d per lb.; lard, 3d to 5d per lb.; live pigs, 7s to 11s 6d each; honey, 2d to 2½d per lb., and 2s to 2s 6d per small tin; brooms, 8s 6d to 6s 9d per dozen; lucerne seed, 4d to 5d per lb.; sorghum seed, 2½d to 3d per lb.; potatoes, £8 5s to £10 5s per ton; onions, £2 10s to £4 per ton; cabbages, 3d to 1s per dozen; peas, 7d to 1s per peck; beans, 3d to 7d per peck; tomatoes, 9d to 2s 3d per case; cucumbers, 1s 2d to 3s per dozen; chillies, 6d to 9d per bag; pumpkins, 2s to 3s per dozen; melons, 1s 8d to 3s per dozen; grammas, 5s to 7s 6d per dozen; rock melons, 2s 6d to 3s per dozen. The fruit market was well supplied, and all lots were cleared at satisfactory prices. Lemons made 3d to 9d per dozen; apples, 1s to 3d per dozen; bananas, 3d to 8d per dozen; cherries, 3s to 7s 6d per case; nectarines, 2d to 6d per dozen; apricots, 4d to 6d per dozen; plums, 1½d to 5d per quart; peaches, 1d to 5d per dozen; passion fruit, 6½d to 3d per dozen; grapes, 4d to 2½d per lb.; pears, 4½d to 3d per dozen; oranges, 4d to 5d per dozen. The poultry market was fairly well supplied, all the supply being from medium to good quality birds. The demand was very brisk, and an advance has to be noted on last week's rates. Fowls made 2s 6d to 5s 6d per pair; ducks, 2s to 4s 6d per pair; geese, 3s 6d to 6s per pair; turkeys, 15s to 19s per pair; pigeons, 1s to 1s 4d per pair. The hay market was fairly brisk, and all loads were cleared at quoted rates. Medium lucerne hay made £1 5s to £1 7s 6d per ton; prime lucerne hay, £1 15s to £1 17s 6d per ton; oaten hay, £1 15s to £2 5s per ton; chaff, 2s 2d to 3s per bag; bran, 4s 6d to 5s per cwt.; pollard, 4s 6d to 5s per cwt.; maize, 3s 9d to 4s per bushel; oats, 2s 3d to 2s 6d per bushel; carrots, 1d to 3d per dozen bunches; potato bags, 3s to 4s per dozen.

MAITLAND HIDES AND SKINS SALES.

The usual sales of hides and skins were held at Campbell's Hill yesterday. Buyers were forward in large attendance, and business generally was very brisk. Hides were forward in fairly large supplies to an unusually animated demand, and very high prices were realised for all qualities. Extra heavy hides made to 25s; heavies, from 22s 6d to 23s 6d; good, 18s 6d to 20s; medium, 15s 9d to 17s 6d; light, 12s 3d to 14s 6d; inferior, 10s 3d to 11s 6d. Yearlings and calfskins, in light supply, elicited a very brisk demand, and excellent prices were realised. Calfskins made 1s 9d to 4s 3d; yearling skins, 5s to 6s. The sheepskin market was lightly supplied. The competitions were brisk, and the market values were equal to late rates. Best skins made 3s 3d to 3s 6d; good, 2s 6d to 2s 10½d; medium, 1s 3d to 2s 2d; light and inferior, 1s 2d to 1s 6d; pelts, 3d to 1s.

ADELAIDE FAT STOCK MARKET.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Elder, Smith, and Co., Limited, report.—Fat cattle: 760 yarded, 180 from the north, 120 from the south-east, the balance local. The supply included all qualities. There was a moderate attendance. Sales were slow, and values were about maintained for best descriptions, but lower for other qualities, the market closing weak. 100 unsold. Prime beef, 20s. We sold 170 cattle. Sheep: 11,000 formed a full supply, including a large proportion of crossbreds; also a number of good merinos. Competition was strong, and owing to the good demand by country butchers, values remain firm. Graziers and shippers took 2500 prime merino wethers, 9s to 10s; good, 9s; prime ewes, 7s to 8s; prime crossbreds to 12s. We sold 2300.

MELBOURNE WOOL SALES.

The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, report by telegraph from Melbourne that it held its usual weekly wool sale to-day, when a fine catalogue, comprising 6500 bales, was submitted at auction. Buyers attended in full force, and competed eagerly for main lines. The market for merino was in sympathy with the news from London fully 5 per cent. higher. Crossbred showed no change. Greasy sold up to 9½d, and scoured to 18d, which latter is the top price realised for scoured this season. Among the sales were: Moniagong, from Young, combing at 9d; Kingroes, from Germanton, fleece at 9d; Lyne, from Cranbrook, Tasmania, fleece at 8½d; Hulme over and over Sons, from Germanton, combing backs at 8½d, GJ over West Quarter, from Maranoa, combing at 8d; Wirlong, from Cobar, combing at 8d; Lindenham, from Augathella, Queensland, fleece at 7½d; D Bros over Tara, from Nymagee, fleece at 7½d; TN over Urana, from Urana, fleece at 7½d; Wagga Wagga over JA, from Wagga, fleece at 7½d; Thornleigh, from Blackall, Queensland, combing at 7½d; T&A over Mount Stewart, from Tibooburra, fleece at 7½d; M&M over N, from Rankins Springs, combing at 7½d; Dunaira over Q, from Mitchell, Queensland, fleece at 7½d; Glenmore over Park, from Molwala, crossbred at 7d; Murweh, from Charleville, Queensland, combing at 6½d; Manus, from Tumberumba, pieces at 6½d; KP On over Kilfera, from Ivanhoe, combing at 6½d; a bar over Moreton Plains, from Enngonia, fleece at 6d. Scoured: AJ over W, from Queensland, clothing at 18d; Conoble, from Mossgiel, combing at 14½d; Woolerina, from Maranoa, Queensland, combing at 14½d; Yantara, from Broken Hill, combing at 13½d; Murweh, from Charleville, Queensland, combing at 13½d; Cashmere, from St. George, Queensland, fleece at 11½d; Beemery, from Bourke, fleece at 13½d; Toms over Lake, from Booligal, fleece at 13d; North Merrowie, from Hillston, combing at 13d; Glengower over XXY, from Goondiwindi, Queensland, fleece at 13d; Manus, from Tumberumba, fleece at 13d; Bedooba, from Nymagee, fleece at 13d; Melrose, from Condobolin, combing at 12½d.

To-day's was the last sale of the present series of wool sales, which was commenced on Monday, January 10, and lasted nine selling days. On these nine days about 46,000 bales have been offered and about 41,000 bales were sold. These figures compare with about 30,000 bales offered and about 25,000 bales sold early in January last year. No more sales will be held for over a fortnight.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, City and Suburban Properties.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

J. R. LAWSON.—At the Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Electroplate, Bookcases, Dinner and Dessert Services, Vases, Photographic Equipment, &c.

H. W. BROOK and CO.—At 146 Elizabeth-street, at 11, Furniture, Bookcase, &c.

J. G. FLEMING and SONS.—On the premises, Richard-street, Newtown, at 11, Plant, Stock-in-trade of a Cordial and Hop Beer Factory, Furniture, &c.

H. HAINS.—At 5 Cambridge-street, off Argyle Cut, at 10.30, Stock-in-trade of a Manufacturer, &c.; at 93 Regent-street, Redfern, at 11.30, Stock-in-trade, Teas, Oilmen's Stores, Glass Cases, Groceries, &c.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.; at 2, Clothing, Blankets, Boots, Shoes, &c.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At Hay and George streets, at 2.30, Furniture, &c.

A. G. JENKINS.—On the premises, Taylor-street, Rockwood, at 2, Furniture, &c.

G. P. BAINES.—At 72 Marion-street, Leichhardt, at 11, Furniture, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.—At the various Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at the Wool Exchange, at 10, Tallow; at 11.30, Sheepskins.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At their Circular Quay Stores, Tallow, Hides, &c.; at Wool Exchange, Sheepskins.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

J. G. FLEMING and SONS.—On the premises, Richard-street, Newtown, at 11, Horses, Waggon, Van, Harness, &c.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Yards, at 12, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.; at 3, Dairy Produce.

ELLIS and CO.—At their Yards, at 1.30, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2, Butter, Eggs, &c.; at 3, Poultry, Pigeons, &c.

R. F. MURPHY and CO.—At their Rooms and Yards, at 1.15, Pigs, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.; at 3.45, Eggs, Lard, &c.

S. PROCTER.—At his Mart, at 1, Pigs, Poultry, &c.

T. SWINDELLS.—At the Poultry Farm Exchange, at 2.30, Eggs, Poultry, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

S. PROCTER.—At Darling Harbour, at 9, Wood, &c.

DALWOOD and CO.—At 187 and 189 Pitt-street, at 11, Building Materials, Bricks, &c.; at 12.30, Plate Glass Windows, Cedar Counter, &c.

ROBERT LITTLE AND CO.—Hay, Chaff, and Produce Auctions at Redfern daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—Advt.

Foley Brothers, Sussex-st.—Creamery Butter, Waratah, Crookwell, Candelo, Central, Kameruka; Cheese.—Advt.

THE SOUTH COAST and WEST CAMDEN CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, Limited, Sussex and Liverpool streets, Sydney. Manufacturers Choicest Creamery Butter, Live Stock and Produce Auctioneers. Sales daily at Redfern; City Live Stock Yards, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday. Warehouse, 343-345 Sussex-street.—Advt.

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are universally admitted to be worth a Guinea a Box for Bilious and Nervous Disorders, such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fullness and Swelling after Meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Scurvy and Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, &c. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one box of these Pills, and they will be acknowledged to be

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For Weak Stomach, Impaired Digestion, and all Disorders of the Liver they act like magic, and a few doses will be found to work wonders on the most important organs in the human machine. They strengthen the whole muscular system, restore the long-lost complexion, bring back the keen edge of appetite, and arouse into action with the rosebud of health the whole physical energy of the human frame, and one of the best guarantees to the nervous and debilitated is, BEECHAM'S PILLS have the Largest Sale of any Patent Medicine in the World. Prepared only by the Proprietor, THOMAS BEECHAM, St. Helen's, Lancashire, England, and sold everywhere in boxes 9½d, 1s 1½d, and 2s 9d each.

COUGHS, COLDS on the CHEST, BRONCHITIS, and ASTHMA rapidly cured by HEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE.

Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its wonderful influence. Sufferers from any form of bronchitis, distressing cough, difficulty of breathing, hoarseness, pain and soreness in the chest, experience delightful and immediate relief, and to those who are subject to colds on the chest it is invaluable, as it effects a complete cure. Prepared only and sold wholesale and retail by the proprietor, W. G. HEARNE, Chemist, Geelong, Victoria. Small sizes, 2s 6d; large, 4s 6d. Sold by chemists and medicine vendors. Forwarded by post to any address when not obtainable locally.

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THE LARGEST and BEST ILLUSTRATED WEEKLY PUBLISHED IN THE COLONIES. PRICE, SIXPENCE.

Meetings.

SOUTH BALMAIN PROTECTION UNION. A MEETING in connection with the above will be held in Mansfield-street Hall THIS (Friday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock. Protectionists invited. Business: Election of Officers. J. H. HAWKINS, Hon. Sec. pro tem.

A.U.B.S.—The Annual General MEETING of the Australian Union Benefit Society will be held in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING, at 7.30 sharp, to Receive Annual Report and Balance-sheet, &c. ERNEST BOOTH, Secretary.

R.A.O.B.S.B.—ELECTION, GRAND PRIMO, THIS EVENING, Cameron's Freemasons' Hotel, York-street. Buffs invited. Good harmony. GEORGE KLEES, Grand Sec.

SYDNEY and Suburban Co-op. Society, Ltd.—Quarterly Meeting, School of Arts, TO-NIGHT, 8 o'clock.

THE COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY OF SYDNEY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Half-yearly General MEETING of the Shareholders of the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Limited, will be held at the Head Banking-house of the Company, in George-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, the twenty-first day of January next, at noon precisely, to receive the Report of the Board of Directors for the Half-year ending 31st December, and to transact any other Business that may be brought before the Meeting in conformity with the requirements of the Articles of Association. By order of the Board. T. A. DIBBS, General Manager. Sydney, 31st December, 1897.

THE BALMAIN NEW FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary General MEETING of shareholders of the Balmain New Ferry Company, Limited, will be held at the Central Hall, Darling-street, Balmain, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of February, 1898, at 8 p.m.

Business: Adoption of directors' report and balance-sheet, election of two directors in place of Captain T. Napier and Mr. J. A. Ong, who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election, and fixing the remuneration of directors. Election of one auditor in place of Mr. A. B. Kerr, who retires, but is eligible for re-election. To transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the articles of association. By order of the board. T. C. GRATTAN, Secretary. Erskine-street, Sydney, 19th January, 1898.

N.B.—Twenty-one days' notice prior to such meeting is required by the articles from any candidate for office of director or auditor.

THE NEW ROYAL STANDARD GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Eleventh Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held on MONDAY, the 31st January, 1898, at 4.15 p.m., at the Company's Office, Union-chambers, 70 Pitt-street, Sydney.

Business: To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ending December 31st, 1897; and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in conformity with the rules and regulations of the Company. By order of the Board. G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager. Sydney, 19th January, 1898.

THE BLUEY GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held on MONDAY, the 31st January, 1898, at 4.45 p.m., at the Registered Office, Union-chambers, 70 Pitt-street, Sydney.

Business: To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ending 31st December, 1897; and to transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the rules and regulations of the company. By order of the Board. G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager. Sydney, January 19th, 1898.

THE MOUNT STEWART LEAD AND SILVER MINING COMPANY, No Liability.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Registered Office, 70 Pitt-street, Sydney, on TUESDAY, the 1st prox., at 2 p.m., when the following resolution will be submitted for adoption or otherwise, viz.:—

"That all liabilities of the Mount Stewart Lead and Silver Mining Company, No Liability, having been discharged, the said Company be voluntarily wound up, and that ——— be appointed as Liquidator for the purpose of winding up the affairs and distributing the property of the Company." By order of the Board. G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager. Sydney, 19th January, 1898.

THE ELSMORE VALLEY TIN-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.

The Half-yearly MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Otho-street, Inverell, on MONDAY, the 7th of February, at 3 p.m., to receive the Balance-sheets and Reports. ARTHUR BLOORE, Legal Manager. Inverell, 15th January, 1898.

GREAT BRITAIN TIN-MINING COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fiftieth Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the office of the Company, Imperial-chambers, 16 O'Connell-street, Sydney, on TUESDAY, 1st February, 1898, at 2 p.m., to receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ended 31st December, 1897; to Elect Directors, to Appoint an Auditor, and to transact such other ordinary Business as may be brought forward. By order of the Board. R. N. KIRK, Manager. Sydney, 18th January, 1898.

Houses and Land For Sale.

HANDSOME New Brick COTTAGE, 5 large rooms, kitchen with range, marble mantels, tall, laundry, fixed tubs, copper, bathroom, stabling, iron railings, land 28 x 183, £480. KITT and CO., 58 Elizabeth-st., Sydney.

MOSMAN.—SOMETHING CHOICE.—Stylish COTTAGE VILLA, containing large drawing and dining rooms, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, pantry, kitchen, laundry, copper, stove, fixed tubs, electric bells, hot and cold water, large area of land, commanding splendid views, £700. KITT and CO., 58 Elizabeth-street, city.

MOSMAN.—Brick COTTAGE, 4 rooms, kitchen, bath, washhouse, city water, gas, 10 min. walk from ferry, 2 from tram, land 44ft. 4in. x 190ft. Title, Torrens. Excellent views, which can't be obstructed. Cost £700. Owner leaving colony will sacrifice £550. H. CROSSLEY, Rangers'-avenue, Mosman.

BREILLAT and RANDELL have for Sale:—North Sydney.—House, 7 rooms, hall, outoffices, nice garden, 3 min. park and tram. Burwood.—Cottage, 6 rooms, usual offices, tiled verandah, asphalt tennis court. Chatswood.—Block Land, 40 x 200, 2 min. from station. Apply 3 Wood's-chambers, Moore-street.

DARLINGTON.—Here is a Chance to secure a Home, close to the city, cheap, on very easy terms. New HOUSE, 122 Rose-street, Darlington, dining, sitting, 3 bed rooms, marble mantels, tiled hearths, large kitchen, lovely bath, washhouse fitted to perfection, gas, every convenience, £30 dep., bal. inst. Inspection invited. J. M'GILL.

A SPLENDID INVESTMENT. For Private SALE, at Glebe Point, a Gentleman's Detached VILLA RESIDENCE of 7 rooms and offices, garden, yard, every convenience, price low, well tenanted, and showing 7½ per cent. return. PIERCY ETHELL and CO., 3 Moore-street.

FOR SALE, HOUSE, 4 rooms, kitchen, bath, pantry, washhouse, and every convenience, pleasantly situated, near Boulevard, Strathfield, fruit and flower garden, grnd. 40 x 150, £320. P. M'ANDREWS, Angel-road, Burwood.

WATER FRONTAGE, Balmain West.—ALLOTMENTS 200ft. deep, grand Villa Sites, easy terms. F. R. ROBINSON, White Horse Point, Elkington Park, Balmain.

NEAR St. Andrew's and University.—4 brick Houses, reliable rents, 45s, cheap, £950. Page, 139 King-st.

RENTS 28s, price £500, 4 Torrens Brick Cottages, near Camperdown Park. Page and Company, 139 King-st.

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SIX-ROOMED COTTAGE, orchard, £150, or LET, 6s week; terms. 81 Fitzroy-st., Surry Hills.

FOR SALE, 4 Houses, splen. pos., eastern sub., rent £371 10s p.a., £1800, no agents. A. E. Brown, G.P.O.

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INVESTMENT.—Leaving colony.—SHOP, 2 Houses, rents 24s, cheap, on corner. Butler, tenantees, Enmore.

A BARGAIN.—2 Houses, 25 and 27 Ultimo-rd., Ultimo, 5 r., gas, kit., and ev. conv. No reas. offer refused.

Government Notices.

CONVEYANCE OF MAILS. QUEENSLAND COASTAL SERVICES.

Post and Telegraph Department, Brisbane, 3rd January, 1898.

SEPARATE TENDERS will be received at the Office of the Postmaster-General, Brisbane, until noon of SATURDAY, the 26th of February next, from Persons or Companies desirous of contracting for the Conveyance of Mails for the Government of Queensland, according to the terms and conditions published in the Queensland Government Gazette of Saturday, the 15th January, 1898.

Full information may be obtained on application to the Under-Secretary and Superintendent of Telegraphs, Post and Telegraph Department, Brisbane. JAMES R. DICKSON, Postmaster-General.

Municipal Elections.

BOROUGH OF ASHFIELD. REVISION COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Open Court for the purpose of Revising the Municipal List for the above Borough for the year 1898 and 1899 will be held at the Town Hall, Ashfield, at 9 o'clock p.m., on TUESDAY, 25th January, 1898. THOS. GLASSOP, Council Clerk. Town Hall, Ashfield, 20th January, 1898.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BANKSTOWN.

NOTICE is hereby given that a REVISION COURT will be held in the Council-chambers, Post Office-buildings, Liverpool-road, Bankstown, on TUESDAY, the 25th day of January, 1898, at 7.30 p.m., for the purpose of Revising the Municipal List for the Municipal District of Bankstown, for the municipal year 1898-9. RICHARD PEEK, Council Clerk. Council-chambers, Bankstown, 21st January, 1898.

BOROUGH OF BOTANY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the LOCAL OPTION VOTE, under the provisions of the Licensing Acts 45-6 Victoria, will be taken in connection with the coming Municipal Elections. Time and place to be fixed hereafter, of which notice will be given. F. HAMBLY, Returning Officer. Council-chambers, Botany, 20th Jan., 1898.

MUNICIPALITY OF CONCORD. REVISION COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given that an OPEN COURT, for the Revision of the Municipal List for the year 1898-99, will be held in the Council-chambers, Concord, at 8.30 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 25th January, 1898. JAS. H. BOLSTER, Council Clerk. Council-chambers, Concord, January 21st, 1898.

BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN. REVISION COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Open Court will be holden at the Council-chambers on MONDAY EVENING Next, 24th instant, 8 o'clock, Revising the Municipal Lists for the several Wards in this Borough. WILLIAM COX, Mayor. Town Hall, Newtown, 20th January, 1898.

BOROUGH OF PADDINGTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Open Court for the purpose of revising the Municipal Lists of the Borough for the year 1898-9 will be held at the Town Hall on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 4.30 p.m. Applicants should attend in person in support of their claims to be enrolled. A. VIALOUX, Council Clerk. Town Hall, January 17, 1898.

BOROUGH OF PADDINGTON. UPPER WARD. Mr. J. H. HOWARD, a Native of the Borough, is a CANDIDATE. Energetic and Progressive.

BOROUGH OF WAVERLEY.—WAVERLEY WARD. A MEETING of the Committee and Supporters of MANES CANNON will be held Henrietta-street, FRIDAY, 21st, 8 p.m.

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Common sense should teach every individual in our land having reasoning powers that surely it is worth while to invest in the purchase of a pot, to test for themselves whether the reports about JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT are true or otherwise. Once tried, no one will go without keeping a constant supply of JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT, the WONDER OF THE AGE.

Who would suffer from SORE EYES when they can find immediate relief and be perfectly cured by using JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT?

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Who would suffer from EXCORIATION of any description when a remedy like JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT can be obtained!

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There was never yet anything invented that is really and intrinsically good, first-class, and in great demand that was not imitated, or some spurious manufacture was not palmed on the public as the real thing. Now, since the first introduction of JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT to the public it still stands unrivalled, because it has proved itself ALL it professed to be.

We see published all kinds of preparations of the EUCALYPTUS in various forms: but the chief ingredient of the Australian Ointment is the Eucalyptus, so that all these new-fangled productions are old in comparison with JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT.

In fact, they have been finding out "MARE'S NESTS," while the pure and unadulterated essence and colour of the EUCALYPTUS is fully embodied in JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT.

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But, as many new arrivals have lately made New South Wales their home, it may be as well to let them know that there is such an article as JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT purely the production of the colony, composed of wild plants indigenous to the country and nowhere else, the principal of which is the EUCALYPTUS, now so famed throughout the world.

The Australian Ointment is purely vegetable, and GUARANTEED FREE FROM ALL POISONOUS QUALITIES. NO ARTIFICIAL COLOURINGS, as the green colour is extracted from the pure green plants, which defy imitation.

ASK FOR JOSEPHSON'S OINTMENT, which is guaranteed to be what it is represented—a purely vegetable compound.

Sold by all chemists and storekeepers, in pots 1s, 1s 6d, 2s 6d each throughout the colonies. Wholesale by the proprietors—EDWARD ROW and CO.

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Usual Price, 31/6. Hepworths' Cost Price, 21/. Closing-up Price, 14/.
Usual Price, 37/6. Hepworths' Cost Price, 25/. Closing-up Price, 16/8.
Usual Price, 50/. Hepworths' Cost Price, 32/6. Closing-up Price, 21/8.
Usual Price, 63/. Hepworths' Cost Price, 42/. Closing-up Price, 28/.

MEN'S SUITS: INDIGO BLUE SERGES AND CORKSCREWS.

Usual Price, 37/6. Hepworths' Cost Price, 25/. Closing-up Price, 16/8.
Usual Price, 42/. Hepworths' Cost Price, 27/6. Closing-up Price, 18/4.
Usual Price, 50/. Hepworths' Cost Price, 32/6. Closing-up Price, 21/8.
Usual Price, 63/. Hepworths' Cost Price, 42/. Closing-up Price, 28/.

MEN'S TRUE-FITTING TROUSERS, LATEST DESIGNS.

Usual Price, 11/6. Hepworths' Cost Price, 8/11. Closing-up Price, 5/11.
Usual Price, 14/6. Hepworths' Cost Price, 9/11. Closing-up Price, 6/7.
Usual Price, 16/6. Hepworths' Cost Price, 11/6. Closing-up Price, 7/8.
Usual Price, 18/6. Hepworths' Cost Price, 14/6. Closing-up Price, 9/8.

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Funerals.

THE Friends of Mr. CHARLES A. MILLER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved DAUGHTER, Violet D.; to move from 60½ Albion-street, Annandale, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 8.30, for Necropolis. W. J. DIXON and COMPANY, 183 George-street West, 120 Oxford-street. Tel., 588.

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THE Friends of Misses ELIZABETH and MARY FAIRFIELD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved FATHER, Mr. James Fairfield, which will leave his late residence, Botany-road, Waterloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 1 o'clock, for the Army Barracks, from thence to the Necropolis.

THE Friends of Mrs. JOSEPH BROWN and daughters are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved BROTHER and UNCLE, Mr. James Fairfield, which will leave his late residence, Botany-road, Waterloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 1 o'clock, for the Army Barracks, from thence to the Necropolis.

PIONEER LODGE, No. 1 P.A., F.S.A.—The Officers and Members of the above Lodge are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of late Bro. JAMES FAIRFIELD; to move from his late residence, Botany-road, Waterloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Rookwood.
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THE Friends of FERGUS and ELIZABETH PERRY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved INFANT DAUGHTER, Christmas Belle, which will leave her parents' residence, 119 Cooper-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Friday, at 1.45, for the Necropolis. THOMAS DIXON, Undertaker, 23 Oxford-street.

THE Friends of Mrs. MARY JANE CROSKERY, relict of the late S. J. Croskery, are invited to attend her Funeral; to move from her late residence, Morehead-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, to Necropolis. HENRY HART and SONS, Undertakers, 186 Devonshire-street, Surry Hills.

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ROBERTS.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. EMMELINE ROBERTS, Relict of the late William Roberts, will leave her late residence, 241 Crown-street, Surry Hills, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, to Waverley Cemetery.
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